

CHAP. 108.—An Act Authorizing the Meridian Highway Bridge Company, a corporation, to construct and maintain a bridge or bridges and approaches thereto across the Missouri River between Yankton County, South Dakota, and Cedar County, Nebraska.

November 18, 1919.
[S. 2883.]
[Public, No. 81.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Meridian Highway Bridge Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of South Dakota, its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge or bridges and approaches thereto across the Missouri River at a point or points suitable to the interest of navigation, in section eighteen, township ninety-three, range fifty-five west, or section thirteen, township ninety-three, range fifty-six west, Yankton County, South Dakota, to the shore opposite thereto at a point in sections eleven or twelve, township thirty-three north, range one west, Cedar County, Nebraska, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

SEC. 2. That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Received by the President, November 6, 1919.

[NOTE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.—The foregoing act having been presented to the President of the United States for his approval, and not having been returned by him to the house of Congress in which it originated within the time prescribed by the Constitution of the United States, has become a law without his approval.]

CHAP. 109.—An Act Authorizing the sale of inherited and unpartitioned allotments for town-site purposes in the Quapaw Agency, Oklahoma.

November 18, 1919.
[H. R. 7751.]
[Public, No. 82.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior be, and he is hereby, authorized, in his discretion, upon the application heretofore or hereafter made, of a majority in interest of the owners of any inherited and unpartitioned allotment in the Quapaw Agency, Oklahoma, to sell the surface of said allotted lands, in whole or in part, for town-site purposes, under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, concerning terms of sale and disposal of the proceeds for the benefit of the respective Indians: *Provided,* That any duly authorized representative of the Interior Department may execute any deed or other instrument necessary to the completion of such sale in the name and on behalf of any of the owners of said land if such owner or his legal representative shall fail or refuse to execute such deed or other instrument for a period of thirty days after being given notice in such manner as the Secretary of the Interior may prescribe that such deed or other instrument is ready for execution.

In conducting such sale the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, prescribe such conditions and requirements as may be necessary for the protection of any person or persons he may find to have legal or equitable interests in any of said lands or the improvements thereon, making due allowance, in his discretion, for the value of such improvements, but no preference right to purchase any lot or tract shall be accorded any person for a period exceeding ninety days.

There is hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,000, to cover the expense of conducting such sale, such sum to be reimbursed to the Treasury

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Meridian Highway
Bridge Company may
bridge, Yankton
County, S. Dak. and
Cedar County, Nebr.

Location.

Construction.
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Sale of surface of
allotments for town-
sites authorized.

Proviso.
Execution of deeds.

Legal rights, etc.,
protected.

Appropriation for
expenses.

Repayment from
proceeds.