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gate of fees and expenses allowed shall not exceed 5 per centum of the amount herein authorized to be appropriated, to be paid out of the appropriation when made pursuant to this Act: *And provided further*, That before any money is paid to any attorney, attorneys, or person, they shall first execute and deliver to the Secretary of the Interior a satisfaction and a discharge in writing of all claims and demands for services rendered and expenses incurred for said bands of Indians in the matter of their said claim.

Satisfactory release required.

Approved, February 13, 1931.

CHAP. 125.—An Act To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to adjust payment of charges due on the Blackfeet Indian Irrigation Project, and for other purposes.

February 13, 1931.
[S. 1533.]
[Public, No. 623.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That where there are accumulated unpaid assessments of irrigation charges, plus accrued penalty, against trust patent or fee patent tracts of land on the Blackfeet irrigation project, Montana, and where purchasers or owners of such tracts are financially unable to pay such amounts in a lump sum, the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized, in his discretion, to deliver irrigation water upon the execution of a suitable contract between such purchaser or owner and the United States, said contract providing for the payment of current annual assessments and annual payments of such percentage of the accumulated assessments as are deemed equitable. The period over which the payment of the accumulated assessments shall be spread shall be left to the discretion of the Secretary of the Interior, but in no case shall the period of payment of such accumulated assessments exceed ten years: *Provided*, That upon the execution of any such contracts herein provided for any penalties or interest which may have accrued against such accumulated assessments shall be canceled, and in lieu thereof the principal amount of the indebtedness shall draw interest at the rate of 6 per centum per annum from the date of the execution of the contract.

Blackfeet Irrigation Project, Montana.
Time extended for paying assessments for construction, maintenance charges, etc.
Vol. 38, p. 583, amended.

Suitable contract to be executed.

Period of deferred payments.

Proviso.
Contracts to substitute for accumulated assessments, etc.

Approved, February 13, 1931.

CHAP. 126.—An Act Authorizing the cities of Omaha, Nebraska, and Council Bluffs, Iowa, and the counties of Douglas, Nebraska, and Pottawattamie, Iowa, to construct, maintain, and operate a toll or free bridge across the Missouri River at or near O'Hern Street, South Omaha, Nebraska.

February 13, 1931.
[S. 5768.]
[Public, No. 624.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That in order to promote interstate commerce, improve the postal service, and provide for military and other purposes, the city of Omaha, Nebraska, or Douglas County, Nebraska, or the city of Council Bluffs, or Pottawattamie County, Iowa, or any two or more thereof cooperating, are hereby authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Missouri River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near O'Hern Street, South Omaha, Nebraska, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Missouri River.
Omaha, Nebr., etc., may bridge, at South Omaha.

Location.

Construction.
Vol. 34, p. 84.

SEC. 2. There is hereby conferred upon said cities and counties, acting jointly, or any one or more of them separately, all such rights and powers to enter upon lands and to acquire, condemn,

Right to acquire real estate, etc., for location, approaches, etc.