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gation, at Algonquin, Illinois, in section 34, township 43 north, range 8 east, third principal meridian, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

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

Amendment.

Approved, February 13, 1931.

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February 13, 1931. [H. R. 15766.] [Public, No. 639.]

**CHAP. 141.**—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the Arkansas State Highway Commission to maintain and operate, as constructed, a free highway bridge across Saline River near Kingsland, Arkansas, on State Highway Numbered 3, from Pine Bluff to Fordyce, Arkansas.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the Arkansas State Highway Commission and their successors and assigns to maintain and operate the free highway bridge and approaches thereto, as constructed, across Saline River, in the county of Cleveland and the State of Arkansas, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Arkansas River. Arkansas may bridge, in Cleveland County.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

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

Amendment.

Approved, February 13, 1931.

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February 14, 1931. [H. R. 6586.] [Public, No. 640.]

**CHAP. 161.**—An Act Providing for the confirmation of the title of certain purchasers from the State of Louisiana of lands formerly included in the Live Oak naval reserve on Navy Commissioners Island, in Saint Mary Parish, Louisiana, now abandoned.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That, subject to the provisions of this Act, the title of all persons who, prior to January 1, 1880, purchased from the State of Louisiana any lands formerly included in what was known as the Live Oak naval reserve on Navy Commissioners Island, in Saint Mary Parish, in the State of Louisiana, established by Executive order of February 29, 1820, under authority of the Act of March 1, 1817, and restored to entry by authority of Act of February 16, 1923 (Forty-second Statutes, page 1258), shall be confirmed and validated against any claim or interest of the United States: *Provided*, That satisfactory evidence of such purchase, with description of the lands claimed by each applicant, in accordance with the system of the United States public land surveys, be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior within six months from and after the approval of this Act: *Provided further*, That patents shall issue to such purchasers and shall inure to the benefit of their heirs, assigns, or devisees to the same extent and as if such purchasers had secured full title from the State of Louisiana through such purchasers upon the payment of $1.25 per acre for such land, which sum shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States: *Provided further*, That the provisions of this Act shall not impair the rights of valid settlers upon said land.

Navy Commissioners Island, La. Title of certain purchasers of lands in Live Oak reserve confirmed.

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*Provisos.* Evidence of purchase to be submitted.

Patents to issue on payments.

Rights of valid settlers not impaired.

Approved, February 14, 1931.