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Maintenance as free bridge after amortizing costs.

the same. After a sinking fund sufficient for such amortization shall have been so provided, such bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of tolls, or the rates of toll shall thereafter be so adjusted as to provide a fund of not to exceed the amount necessary for the proper maintenance, repair, and operation of the bridge and its approaches under economical management. An accurate record of the amount paid for acquiring the bridge and its approaches, the actual expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating the same, and of the daily tolls collected, shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

Statement of construction, etc., costs to be filed after completion.

SEC. 4. The said Monongahela Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, shall, within ninety days after the completion of such bridge, file with the Secretary of War, and with the highway department of the State of West Virginia, a sworn itemized statement showing the actual original cost of constructing the bridge and its approaches, the actual cost of acquiring any interest in real property necessary therefor, and the actual financing and promotion costs.

Investigation thereof by Secretary of War.

The Secretary of War may, and at the request of the Highway Department of the State of West Virginia, shall, at any time within three years after the completion of such bridge, investigate such costs and determine the accuracy and the reasonableness of the costs alleged in the statement of costs so filed, and shall make a finding of the actual and reasonable costs of constructing, financing, and promoting such bridge; for the purpose of such investigation the said Monongahela Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, shall make available all of its records in connection with the construction, financing, and promotion thereof. The findings of the Secretary of War as to the reasonable costs of the construction, financing, and promotion of the bridge shall be conclusive for the purposes mentioned in section 2 of this Act, subject only to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

Records to be available.

Findings conclusive.

Right to sell, etc., conferred.

SEC. 5. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act is hereby granted to the Monongahela Bridge Company, its successors and assigns, and any corporation to which or any person to whom such rights, powers, and privileges may be sold, assigned, or transferred, or who shall acquire the same by mortgage foreclosure or otherwise, is hereby authorized and empowered to exercise the same as fully as though conferred herein directly upon such corporation or person.

Amendment.

SEC. 6. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, June 23, 1930.

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**CHAP. 583.**—An Act To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across Lake Sabine at or near Port Arthur, Texas.

Lake Sabine.
Time extended for bridging, between Port Arthur, Tex., and Cameron Parish, La.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across Lake Sabine, between a point at or near Port Arthur, Texas, and a point opposite in Cameron Parish, Louisiana, authorized to be built by H. L. McKee, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, by the Act of Congress approved May 18, 1928, heretofore extended by the Act of Congress approved March 2, 1929, are hereby further extended one and three years, respectively, from May 18, 1930.

Vol. 45, pp. 609, 1524, amended.

Amendment.

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

Approved, June 23, 1930.