

rate not less than 1 per centum per annum higher than the highest discount rate in effect at such Federal reserve bank on the date of such note; (2) the Federal Reserve Board may by regulation limit and define the classes of assets which may be accepted as security for advances made under authority of this section; and (3) no note accepted for any such advance shall be eligible as collateral security for Federal reserve notes.

"No obligations of any foreign government, individual, partnership, association, or corporation organized under the laws thereof shall be eligible as collateral security for advances under this section."

SEC. 3. The second paragraph of section 16 of the Federal Reserve Act, as amended, is amended to read as follows:

"Any Federal reserve bank may make application to the local Federal reserve agent for such amount of the Federal reserve notes hereinbefore provided for as it may require. Such application shall be accompanied with a tender to the local Federal reserve agent of collateral in amount equal to the sum of the Federal reserve notes thus applied for and issued pursuant to such application. The collateral security thus offered shall be notes, drafts, bills of exchange, or acceptances acquired under the provisions of section 13 of this Act, or bills of exchange indorsed by a member bank of any Federal reserve district and purchased under the provisions of section 14 of this Act, or bankers' acceptances purchased under the provisions of said section 14, or gold or gold certificates: *Provided, however,* That until March 3, 1933, should the Federal Reserve Board deem it in the public interest, it may, upon the affirmative vote of not less than a majority of its members, authorize the Federal reserve banks to offer, and the Federal reserve agents to accept, as such collateral security, direct obligations of the United States. On March 3, 1933, or sooner should the Federal Reserve Board so decide, such authorization shall terminate and such obligations of the United States be retired as security for Federal reserve notes. In no event shall such collateral security be less than the amount of Federal reserve notes applied for. The Federal reserve agent shall each day notify the Federal Reserve Board of all issues and withdrawals of Federal reserve notes to and by the Federal reserve bank to which he is accredited. The said Federal Reserve Board may at any time call upon a Federal reserve bank for additional security to protect the Federal reserve notes issued to it."

Approved, February 27, 1932.

[CHAPTER 59.]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the State of Illinois to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Pecatonica River at Harrison, in Winnebago County, State of Illinois.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress¹ assembled, That the consent of Congress is hereby granted to the State of Illinois, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Pecatonica River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation at Harrison, Illinois, in section 14, township 28 north, range 11 east, fourth principal meridian, 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.

Approved, February 29, 1932.

¹ So in original.

Classification of assets.

Eligibility as security for Federal reserve notes.

Foreign government, etc., obligations.

Federal reserve notes. Vol. 38, p. 265; U. S. C., p. 284. Post, p. 794.

Application for.

Collateral to accompany.

Nature of.

Vol. 38, pp. 263, 264.

Proviso. Obligations of United States as security authorized. Post, p. 795.

Vol. 40, p. 236. Date authorization to terminate.

Amount of collateral security.

Notification of withdrawals, etc.

Additional security.

February 29, 1932. [H. R. 8163.] [Public, No. 45.]

Pecatonica River. Illinois may bridge, at Harrison.

Construction. Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.