

SEC. 3. Where necessary for such electrification, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia may issue permits to construct conduit systems through or under the surfaces of public streets or other District of Columbia or United States property: *Provided, however,* That three ducts therein shall be reserved for the use of the United States and the District of Columbia.

Construction of conduit systems.

SEC. 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting or abridging the authority of the War Department, the Commissioners of the District of Columbia, or of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Proviso.
Government use of three ducts.

Jurisdiction not abridged.

SEC. 5. The said railroad companies shall be liable for any accident to, or injuries sustained by, any person by reason of any act or omission of the railroad companies or by their agents or servants during the construction, installation, maintenance, or operation of the electrical equipment and apparatus of the railroad trains.

Liability for injuries.
Vol. 45, p. 600.

Approved, March 27, 1934.

[CHAPTER 98.]

AN ACT

Granting the consent of Congress to the Louisiana Highway Commission to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge across the Mississippi River at or near Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

March 27, 1934.
[S. 3067.]
[Public, No. 138.]

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 Louisiana Highway Commission, an administrative body created and acting under the constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge, or a railway bridge in combination with a free highway bridge, and approaches thereto across the Mississippi River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Baton Rouge, Louisiana, in accordance with the provisions of an Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906.

Mississippi River.
Louisiana may bridge, at Baton Rouge.

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

Amendment.

Approved, March 27, 1934.

[CHAPTER 99.]

AN ACT

To prevent the loss of the title of the United States to lands in the territories or territorial possessions through adverse possession or prescription.

March 27, 1934.
[H. R. 5863.]
[Public, No. 139.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That hereafter no prescription or statute of limitations shall run, or continue to run, against the title of the United States to lands in any territory or possession or place or territory under the jurisdiction or control of the United States, including the Philippine Islands; and that no title to any such lands of the United States or any right therein shall be acquired by adverse possession or prescription, or otherwise than by conveyance from the United States.

Lands in the territories or possessions.
Title of United States not to be lost through adverse possession or prescription.

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