

by the Secretary of the Navy in accordance with law, shall recommend, from the officers now on the active list in those grades, four officers of the grade of lieutenant colonel and nine officers of the grade of major, who held commissions in those grades, respectively, on May 28, 1934.

Approved, May 1, 1936.

[CHAPTER 253.]

AN ACT

May 1, 1936.
[H. R. 9273.]
[Public, No. 537.]

To extend the times for commencing and completing the construction of a bridge across the Missouri River at or near Weldon Spring, Missouri.

Missouri River.
Time extended for
bridging, at Weldon
Spring, Mo.
Vol. 46, p. 1498; Vol.
48, p. 357.

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 the Missouri River, at or near Weldon Spring, Missouri, authorized to be built by the State Highway Commission of Missouri, by an Act of Congress approved March 3, 1931, heretofore extended by an Act of Congress approved February 24, 1934, are hereby extended one and three years, respectively, from March 3, 1936.

Amendment.

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

Approved, May 1, 1936.

[CHAPTER 254.]

AN ACT

May 1, 1936.
[H. R. 9866.]
[Public, No. 538.]

To extend certain provisions of the Act approved June 18, 1934, commonly known as the Wheeler-Howard Act (Public Law Numbered 383, Seventy-third Congress, 48 Stat. 984), to the Territory of Alaska, to provide for the designation of Indian reservations in Alaska, and for other purposes.

Indians, Alaska.
Certain home rule,
etc., provisions extend-
ed to.
Vol. 48, pp. 984, 988.
U. S. C., p. 1031.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That sections 1, 5, 7, 8, 15, 17, and 19 of the Act entitled "An Act to conserve and develop Indian lands and resources; to extend to Indians the right to form business and other organizations; to establish a credit system for Indians; to grant certain rights of home rule to Indians; to provide for vocational education for Indians; and for other purposes", approved June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984), shall hereafter apply to the Territory of Alaska: *Provided*, That groups of Indians in Alaska not heretofore recognized as bands or tribes, but having a common bond of occupation, or association, or residence within a well-defined neighborhood, community, or rural district, may organize to adopt constitutions and bylaws and to receive charters of incorporation and Federal loans under sections 16, 17, and 10 of the Act of June 18, 1934 (48 Stat. 984).

Proviso.
Groups not previous-
ly recognized as bands
or tribes.

Vol. 48, pp. 987, 988,
986.

Designation of cer-
tain areas as Indian
reservations.
Vol. 23, p. 26; Vol. 26,
p. 1101.
U. S. C., p. 2131.

SEC. 2. That the Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to designate as an Indian reservation any area of land which has been reserved for the use and occupancy of Indians or Eskimos by section 8 of the Act of May 17, 1884 (23 Stat. 26), or by section 14 or section 15 of the Act of March 3, 1891 (26 Stat. 1101), or which has been heretofore reserved under any executive order and placed under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior or any bureau thereof, together with additional public lands adjacent thereto, within the Territory of Alaska, or any other public lands which are actually occupied by Indians or Eskimos within said