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maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Monongahela River at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Star City, West Virginia, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

34 Stat. 84.
33 U. S. C. §§ 491–498.

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

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 56]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946
[H. R. 3940]
[Public Law 316]

To revive and reenact the Act entitled "An Act granting the consent of Congress to Rensselaer and Saratoga Counties, New York, or to either of them, or any agency representing said counties, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Hudson River between the city of Mechanicville and Hemstreet Park in the town of Schaghticoke, New York", approved April 2, 1941.

Bridge.
Hudson River.
55 Stat. 87.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act approved April 2, 1941, granting the consent of Congress to the counties of Rensselaer and Saratoga, New York, or to either of them, or any agency representing said counties, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Hudson River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, between the city of Mechanicville and Hemstreet Park in the town of Schaghticoke, New York, at or near River Street in the city of Mechanicville, be, and is hereby, revived and reenacted: *Provided*, That this Act shall be null and void unless the actual construction of the bridge herein referred to be commenced within one year and completed within three years from the date of approval hereof.

Time limitation.

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

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 57]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946
[H. R. 4652]
[Public Law 317]

To provide credit for past service to substitute employees of the postal service when appointed to regular positions; to extend annual and sick leave benefits to war service indefinite substitute employees; to fix the rate of compensation for temporary substitute rural carriers serving in the place of regular carriers in the armed forces; and for other purposes.

Postal service.
Credit for substitute service.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, upon appointment to a regular position in the postal service, any employee who was a substitute in the postal service prior to July 1, 1945, shall receive credit for actual substitute service, including time served as a special-delivery messenger, performed prior to July 1, 1945, computed on the basis of one year for each unit of two thousand four hundred and forty-eight hours, but such credit shall not exceed four years. The credit thus computed shall be added to credit for actual substitute service, including time served as a special-delivery messenger, performed on and after July 1, 1945, computed on the basis of one year for each unit of two thousand and twenty-four hours, but credit for service performed on and after July 1, 1945, shall not exceed one year for each period of twelve months. Upon the appointment of any such employee to a regular position he shall be placed in the salary

Progression in grade.