

highway department of either of such States, 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 W. L. Eichendorf, his heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, shall make available all 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 4 of this Act, subject only to review in a court of equity for fraud or gross mistake.

Findings of Secretary conclusive.

SEC. 7. The right to sell, assign, transfer, and mortgage all of the rights, powers, and privileges conferred by this Act, is hereby granted to W. L. Eichendorf, his heirs, legal representatives, 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.

Right to sell, etc., conferred.

SEC. 8. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Amendment.

Approved, January 26, 1931.

CHAP. 47.—An Act To provide for uniform administration of the national parks by the United States Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.

January 26, 1931.

[S. 196.]

[Public, No. 574.]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That hereafter no permit, license, lease, or other authorization for the prospecting, development, or utilization of the mineral resources within the Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado, or the Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona, shall be granted or made.

National parks, administration.  
Mineral prospecting, etc., Mesa Verde, Colo., or Grand Canyon, Ariz., forbidden.

SEC. 2. That hereafter the Secretary of the Interior shall have authority to prescribe regulations for the surface use of any mineral land locations already made or that may hereafter be made within the boundaries of Mount McKinley National Park, in the Territory of Alaska, and he may require registration of all prospectors and miners who enter the park: *Provided*, That no resident of the United States who is qualified under the mining laws of the United States applicable to Alaska shall be denied entrance to the park for the purpose of prospecting or mining.

Mount McKinley, Alaska.  
Regulations for surface use of mineral lands within.

SEC. 3. That hereafter no permit, license, lease, or other authorization for the use of land within the Glacier National Park, Montana, or the Lassen Volcanic National Park, California, for the erection and maintenance of summer homes or cottages shall be granted or made: *Provided, however*, That the Secretary of the Interior may, in his discretion, renew any permit, license, lease, or other authorization for such purpose heretofore granted or made.

Registration of miners, etc.  
*Proviso.*  
Entries.

SEC. 4. That hereafter the acquisition of rights of way for steam or electric railways, automobile or wagon roads, within the Lassen Volcanic National Park, California, under filings or proceedings under laws applicable to the acquisition of such rights over or upon the national-forest lands of the United States is prohibited.

Glacier, Mont., and Lassen Volcanic, Calif.  
Permits for summer homes, etc., prohibited.

*Proviso.*  
Renewal of present leases, etc.

SEC. 5. That hereafter the acquisition of rights of way through the valleys of the north and middle forks of the Flathead River

Acquisition of rights of way forbidden.  
Lassen Volcanic, Calif.

Certain valleys of Flathead River, Glacier, Mont.

for steam or electric railways in the Glacier National Park, Montana, under filings or proceedings under the laws applicable to the acquisition of such rights over or upon the unappropriated public domain of the United States is prohibited.

Grants of rights of way, repealed.  
Within Mount Rainier, Wash.  
Vol. 30, p. 994, repealed.

SEC. 6. That the provisions of the Act of March 2, 1899 (Thirtieth Statute, page 993), granting rights of way, under such restrictions and regulations as the Secretary of the Interior may establish, to any railway or tramway company or companies for the purpose of building, constructing, and operating a railway, constructing and operating a railway or tramway line or lines, so far as the same relate to lands within the Mount Rainier National Park, Washington, are hereby repealed: *Provided, however,* That nothing herein shall be construed so as to prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from authorizing the use of land in said park under contract, permit, lease, or otherwise for the establishment and operation thereon of a tramway or cable line, or lines, for the accommodation or convenience of visitors and others.

*Proviso.*  
Exception.

Within Rocky Mountain, Colo.  
Vol. 38, p. 800, repealed.  
U. S. C., p. 405.

SEC. 7. That the provision of the Act of January 26, 1915 (Thirty-eighth Statute, page 798), authorizing the Secretary of the Interior, in his discretion and upon such conditions as he may deem wise, to grant easements or rights of way for steam, electric, or similar transportation upon or across the lands within the Rocky Mountain National Park, is hereby repealed.

Approved, January 26, 1931.

January 26, 1931.  
[S. J. Res. 177.]  
[Pub. Res., No. 115.]

CHAP. 48.—Joint Resolution To provide for the erection of a memorial to William Howard Taft at Manila, Philippine Islands.

William Howard Taft.  
Memorial authorized, at Manila, P. I.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That the Secretary of War is authorized and directed to select a site at Manila, Philippine Islands, and to provide for the erection thereon of a suitable memorial to William Howard Taft. The design and plans of such memorial shall be approved by the National Commission on Fine Arts.

Approval of plans.

Approved, January 26, 1931.

January 27, 1931.  
[H. R. 15138.]  
[Public, No. 575.]

CHAP. 49.—An Act Granting the consent of Congress to the State Highway Commission and the Board of Supervisors of Itawamba County, Mississippi, to construct a bridge across Tombigbee River at or near Fulton, Mississippi.

Tombigbee River, Mississippi, etc., may bridge, at Fulton.

*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 State Highway Commission of Mississippi and the Board of Supervisors of Itawamba County, Mississippi, their successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge and approaches thereto across the Tombigbee River, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Fulton, in the county of Itawamba, in the State of Mississippi, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters," approved March 23, 1906.

Construction.  
Vol. 34, p. 84.

Amendment.

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

Approved, January 27, 1931.