

[CHAPTER 51]

AN ACT

To grant the title of public lands to the town of Safford, Arizona, for the use of its municipal water system.

March 6, 1946

[H. R. 3444]

[Public Law 311]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, subject to the conditions and reservations hereinafter specified, there is hereby granted, and the Secretary of the Interior is authorized and directed to patent, to the town of Safford, Arizona, for municipal water purposes all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to that portion of the public lands of the United States which, after survey, will be described as follows: Southeast quarter northwest quarter; southwest quarter northeast quarter; west half southeast quarter, section 5, township 6 south, range 28 east, of the Gila and Salt River base and meridian in Graham County, Arizona, containing one hundred and sixty acres, more or less: *Provided*, That, prior to the issuance of such patent the said town of Safford shall pay the appraised value of such land, to be determined by the Secretary of the Interior, which shall not be less than \$1.25 per acre: *Provided further*, That such patent shall contain a reservation to the United States of all oil, coal, and other mineral deposits that may be found in the land, together with the right to prospect for, mine, and remove the same.

Safford, Ariz.
Lands for municipal
water purposes.

Payment.

Mineral reservation

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 52]

AN ACT

To authorize municipalities and public utility districts in the Territory of Alaska to issue revenue bonds for public-works purposes.

March 6, 1946

[H. R. 3580]

[Public Law 312]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That municipal corporations and public utility districts in the Territory of Alaska, acting by and through their governing bodies, are hereby authorized without other authority than is herein contained to construct, reconstruct, improve, extend, better, repair, equip, or acquire public works of permanent character which may be operated upon a revenue-producing basis, and, upon majority vote of the qualified voters in such municipal corporation or public utility district, to issue bonds for such purposes payable solely from unpledged revenue of the public works for which such bonds are issued, including future additions and improvements. Such public works shall include but not be limited to water facilities, sewers and sewage-disposal facilities, heating plants and distribution facilities, gas plants and distribution facilities, electric power and light plants, and distribution facilities.

Alaska.
Issuance of bonds
for public works.

SEC. 2. Bonds issued under this Act shall bear such date or dates, may be in such denominations, may mature in such amounts and at such time or times, may be payable at such place or places, may be sold at either public or private sale, may be redeemable (either with or without premium) or nonredeemable, may carry such registration privileges, and may be executed by such officers and in such manner as shall be prescribed by the governing body. In case any of the officers whose signatures appear on the bonds or coupons shall cease to be such officers before delivery of such bonds, such signatures, whether manual or facsimile shall, nevertheless, be valid and sufficient for all purposes, the same as if such officers had remained in office until such delivery. The bonds so issued shall bear interest at a rate to be fixed by the governing body, not to exceed, however, 6 per centum per annum, payable annually or semiannually, and shall be sold for not less than the principal amount thereof plus accrued interest.

Signatures.

Interest.

Covenants.

SEC. 3. Bonds issued hereunder or the proceedings of the governing body authorizing their issuance may contain such covenants as the governing body deems advisable concerning the rates or fees to be charged for services rendered by the public works, the revenue of which is pledged to the payment of such bonds; the deposit and use of the revenue of such public works; the issuance of additional bonds payable from revenue of such public works; and the rights of the bondholders in case of default in the payment of the principal of or interest on the bonds, including the appointment of a receiver to operate such public works.

Powers and limitations.

SEC. 4. All Acts and parts of Acts in conflict herewith are repealed to the extent of such conflict. The powers conferred herein shall be in addition and supplemental to and the limitations imposed hereby shall not affect the powers conferred by any other law.

Approved March 6, 1946.

[CHAPTER 53]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946

[H. R. 3614]

[Public Law 313]

To ratify and confirm Act 33 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1945, extending the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945.

Hawaii.
Issuance of revenue bonds.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Act 33 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1945, amending chapter 118, Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, so as to extend the time within which revenue bonds may be issued and delivered under said chapter 118, is hereby ratified and confirmed and revenue bonds may be issued under and pursuant to the provisions of said chapter 118 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1945, as amended by said Act 33, without the approval of the President of the United States and without the incurring of an indebtedness within the meaning of the Hawaiian Organic Act, and said chapter 118, as amended, shall constitute full authority for the issuance of said bonds without reference to and independent of the Hawaiian Organic Act.

Approved March 6, 1946.

31 Stat. 141.
48 U. S. C. § 493
note; Supp. V, § 503
et seq.

[CHAPTER 54]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946

[H. R. 3657]

[Public Law 314]

To ratify and confirm Act 32 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1945.

Hawaii.
Electric light and power.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Act 32 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1945, amending Act 101 of the Session Laws of Hawaii, 1921, relating to the manufacture, maintenance, distribution, and supply of electric current for light and power within the districts of North and South Hilo and Puna, in the county of Hawaii, by extending the franchise to the districts of Kau and South Kohala, in that county, is hereby ratified and confirmed.

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[CHAPTER 55]

AN ACT

March 6, 1946

[H. R. 3730]

[Public Law 315]

Granting the consent of Congress to the State of West Virginia to construct, maintain, and operate a free highway bridge across the Monongahela River at or near Star City, West Virginia.

Bridge.
Monongahela River.

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 of West Virginia to construct,