

bridge shall thereafter be maintained and operated free of toll. An accurate record of the amount of bonds issued in the acquisition of such bridge, the financing costs thereof, the interest and redemption premiums payable thereon, the actual expenditures for maintaining, repairing, and operating such bridges, and of the daily tolls collected shall be kept and shall be available for the information of all persons interested.

Record of expenditures and receipts.

SEC. 4. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Right reserved.

Approved, July 2, 1940.

[CHAPTER 529]

AN ACT

Declaring a forfeiture of certain land heretofore granted by the United States to the board of commissioners of the Orleans Levee District, in the city of New Orleans, State of Louisiana, for levee and street purposes.

July 2, 1940
[H. R. 9927]
[Public, No. 724]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby forfeited to and vested in the United States of America title to that certain strip of land situated in the city of New Orleans, parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana, measuring two hundred and ten and two one-hundredths feet in length and seven and thirty-seven one-hundredths feet in width, more particularly described in the resolution adopted February 23, 1940, by the board of commissioners of the Orleans Levee District, and being part of the land granted by the Act of Congress approved April 22, 1932 (47 Stat. 133, ch. 127), to the board of commissioners of the Orleans Levee District of New Orleans, Louisiana. The control and custody of the land hereby forfeited is vested in the Attorney General.

New Orleans, La.
Forfeiture to U. S. of
certain land.

Control, etc.

SEC. 2. The grant by the aforesaid Act of Congress approved April 22, 1932, and the restrictions and conditions imposed therein shall remain in full force and effect as to that portion of the land the title to which is not declared forfeited by this Act and the Attorney General is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to the Board of Commissioners of the Orleans Levee District a proper quitclaim deed of that portion of the land not forfeited.

Restrictions in force
as to unforfeited land.

Approved, July 2, 1940.

[CHAPTER 530]

AN ACT

To amend section 13 (d) of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act.

July 2, 1940
[H. R. 10000]
[Public, No. 725]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (d) of section 13 of the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, as amended, is hereby amended by striking the period at the end of the last sentence of said subsection, inserting a colon, and adding the following: "*Provided, however,* That if the Social Security Board finds with respect to any State that such State (1) is unable to avail itself of such conditions solely by reason of prohibitions contained in the constitution of such State, as determined by a decision of the highest court of such State declaring invalid in whole or in part the action of the legislature of the State purporting to provide for transfers from the State's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund to the railroad unemployment insurance account, and (2) for similar reasons is unable to use amounts withdrawn from its account in the Unemployment Trust Fund for the payment of expenses incurred in the administration of its State unemployment compensation law,

Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act, amendment.
52 Stat. 1111.
45 U. S. C., Supp. V,
§ 363 (c).

Proriso.
Findings by Social Security Board.
State unable to effect designated transfers of funds.

State unable to use certain funds for administrative expenses.

Withholding certification of amounts for payment to State, etc.; date.

49 Stat. 626.
42 U. S. C. § 502.

Condition.

Determination of amount withheld.

the Social Security Board shall not begin to withhold from certification to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment to such State the amounts determined by it pursuant to section 302 of the Social Security Act and to certify to the Secretary of the Treasury for payment into the railroad unemployment insurance account the amount so withheld from such State until July 1, 1942, and then only if the Social Security Board finds that such State had not prior thereto effectively authorized and directed the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer from such State's account in the Unemployment Trust Fund to the railroad unemployment insurance account amounts equal to such State's 'preliminary amount' and 'liquidating amount' less such parts thereof, if any, as the State may have, within the periods set forth in the provisos contained in the first two paragraphs of this subsection, effectively authorized and directed the Secretary of the Treasury so to transfer, plus interest on such difference, if any, with respect to each amount at 2½ per centum per annum from the date the State's 'preliminary amount' or 'liquidating amount', as the case may be, is determined by the Social Security Board; and with respect to any such State the amount withheld shall equal the State's 'preliminary amount' and 'liquidating amount' less such parts thereof, if any, as the State may have, within the periods set forth in the provisos contained in the first two paragraphs of this subsection effectively authorized and directed the Secretary of the Treasury to transfer, plus interest from July 1, 1939, at 2½ per centum per annum on so much of the 'preliminary amount' and 'liquidating amount', as the case may be, as has not been so transferred or has not been used as the measure for withholding."

Approved, July 2, 1940.

[CHAPTER 548]

AN ACT

July 8, 1940

[S. 2915]

[Public, No. 726]

Relating to rentals in certain oil and gas leases issued under authority of the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended, and for other purposes.

Waiver of rentals in certain oil and gas leases.

49 Stat. 676.
30 U. S. C., Supp. V,
§ 226.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior, in the case of lands not within any known geologic structure of a productive oil or gas field, shall waive the rentals stipulated in oil and gas leases issued pursuant to section 17 of the Act of February 25, 1920, as amended by the Act of August 21, 1935 (49 Stat. 674), for the second and third lease years, unless a valuable deposit of oil or gas be sooner discovered.

Approved, July 8, 1940.

[CHAPTER 549]

AN ACT

July 8, 1940

[S. 3780]

[Public, No. 727]

Authorizing Alabama Bridge Commission (an agency of the State of Alabama) to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge and causeway between Dauphin Island and the mainland at or near Cedar Point, within the State of Alabama.

Construction of bridge between Dauphin Island and Cedar Point, Ala.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That Alabama Bridge Commission (an agency of the State of Alabama), its successors and assigns, be, and they are hereby, authorized to construct, maintain, and operate a toll bridge and causeway and approaches thereto at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, between Dauphin Island and the mainland at or near Cedar Point, within the State of Alabama, in accordance with the provisions of an Act