

or bridges and other accessory works provided for in this act are approved by the Secretary of War the bridge or bridges shall not be built; and should any change be made in the plan of said bridge or bridges during the process of construction, such change shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary of War; and the said structure or structures shall be at all times so kept and managed as to offer reasonable and proper means for the passage of vessels through or under said structure or structures; and to secure the safe passage of vessels at night there shall be displayed on said bridge or bridges, from the hour of sunset to that of sunrise, such lights as may be prescribed by the Secretary of War; and the said structure or structures shall be changed at the cost and expense of said city of Saint Paul, from time to time as Congress may direct, so as to preserve the free and convenient navigation of said river; and the authority to erect and continue said bridge or bridges shall be subject to revocation and modification by law whenever the public good shall, in the judgment of Congress, so require, without any expense or charge to the United States.

Lights and signals.

SEC. 5. That it shall be the duty of the Secretary of War, on satisfactory proof that a necessity exists therefor, to require the company or persons owning said bridge to cause such aids to the passage of said bridge to be constructed, placed, and maintained, at their own cost and expense, in the form of booms, dikes, piers, or other suitable and proper structures for confining the flow of water to a permanent channel and for the guiding of rafts, steamboats, and other water-craft safely through the draw and raft-spans, as shall be specified in his order in that behalf; and on the failure of the company or persons aforesaid to make and establish such additional structures within a reasonable time, the said Secretary shall proceed to cause the same to be built or made at the expense of the United States, and shall refer the matter without delay to the Attorney-General of the United States, whose duty it shall be to institute, in the name of the United States, proceedings in any circuit court of the United States in which such bridge, or any part thereof, is located, for the recovery of the cost thereof; and all moneys accruing from such proceedings shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States.

Booms, dikes, and piers; construction and maintenance of; penalty for failure.

Rights reserved.

SEC. 6 That the right to alter, amend, or repeal this act is hereby expressly reserved; and the right to require any changes in such structure, or its entire removal, at the expense of the owners thereof, whenever Congress shall decide that the public interest requires it is also expressly reserved

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CHAP. 216.—An act respecting a bridge at Tonawanda, in the State of New York.

Bridge at Tonawanda, N. Y.

Declared a lawful structure; proviso.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That any bridge erected in pursuance of chapter two hundred and seventy-nine of the laws of the State of New York of the year eighteen hundred and eighty-three, entitled "An act to incorporate the Tonawanda Island Bridge Company for the purpose of constructing and operating a bridge from Tonawanda Island to North Tonawanda" is hereby declared to be a lawful structure: *Provided,* That said bridge shall not be built or commenced until the plan and location of the bridge have been submitted to the Secretary of War and by him approved.

Right of Congress to repeal, etc., reserved.

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

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