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Reelfoot Running Bayou

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Sincerely,

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COMPILER'S NOTE: The following act is a public act of special application and is not codified in Tennessee Code Annotated.

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has authorized the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, to dredge Reelfoot Running Bayou from its mouth at or near the Obion River to where State Highway 21 and 22 cross the same; and

WHEREAS, The maintenance of said work and the replacement of said bridges across said stream constitute an integral part of the consideration for such dredging;

SECTION 1. That in consideration of the United States Corps of Engineers dredging the stream above mentioned as aforesaid, the State of Tennessee, through its Obion-Forked Deer Basin Authority, shall maintain such dredging after the conclusion of the original performance thereof in as reasonably good condition as it exists at the completion of such original dredging operation, and shall likewise assume full responsibility for costs of repairing, maintaining, and relocating any or all bridges across such stream, replacement of which is occasioned by the work herein contemplated and such Obion-Forked Deer Basin Authority shall likewise save and hold harmless the United States Corps of Engineers from any and all damages occasioned by such dredging operation. In case the procurement of rights of way for such operation shall be required, such right of way shall be procured by the County in which the land taken shall lie and such County shall be vested with the power of eminent domain for such purpose. Any damage occasioned by the exercise of the power of eminent domain shall be a charge against the general fund of the County instituting such proceeding and shall be paid therefrom.

As amended by: Public Acts of 1973, Chapter 38
Public Acts of 1974, Chapter 415

SECTION 2. That this Act shall take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed: March 3, 1955

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