

[No. 106.]

A N A C T

Authorizing the Canal Commissioners to purchase Trucks for the transportation of section boats over the Philadelphia and Columbia, and the Allegheny Portage Rail Roads.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same,* That the canal commissioners be and they are hereby authorized to purchase and place upon the Philadelphia and Columbia, and the Allegheny Portage rail roads, such a number of trucks for the transportation of section boats as they deem necessary to secure to all classes of citizens, a fair and free competition in the carrying trade upon the main line of the public works.

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SECTION 2. The canal commissioners are hereby invested with full power to adopt such rules and regulations, and to establish such rates and charges for the use of said trucks, in the transportation of section boats as they may deem just and equitable. And the revenue derived from the charges authorized by this section, is hereby specifically appropriated to defray the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this act: *Provided*, The whole expense of procuring and placing said trucks upon the said roads, shall not exceed forty thousand dollars.

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SECTION 3. That it shall be lawful for the canal commissioners to purchase, of any person or persons owning the same, the right to use said trucks on the works of the Commonwealth, in case they shall be satisfied that the claim of such person or persons is a lawful and valid claim, and that the attorney general of this Commonwealth is hereby directed to investigate such claims, and report the same to the canal commissioners.

Canal Com'rs
to purchase
right to use
trucks

JAMES ROSS SNOWDEN,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JOHN STROHM,
Speaker of the Senate.

APPROVED—The first day of July, one thousand eight hundred and forty-two.

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