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AN ACT

SB 421

Authorizing the Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, to erect and maintain a bridge over the Conemaugh River between the Borough of New Florence, in Westmoreland County and the Village of Huff, West Wheatfield Township, in Indiana County and to provide the necessary approaches and connections with State highways; empowering the counties to pay certain damages; and making an appropriation therefor.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized to erect and construct a bridge over the Conemaugh River from a point in the Borough of New Florence, in Westmoreland County to a point in or near the Village of Huff, West Wheatfield Township, in Indiana County.

Section 2. In the construction of said bridge and the approaches thereto and connections with State highways, the Department of Highways shall have all of the powers and authority conferred with respect to the relocation, widening or construction of State highways, including the exercise of the power of eminent domain. Any damages sustained by reason of taking property in the location, widening or construction of any such bridge, the approaches thereto and connections with State highways, shall be ascertained in accordance with laws applicable to the ascertainment of damages in relocating, widening or constructing State highways and such damages, when ascertained, shall be paid by the Commonwealth or county as may be agreed upon in accordance with the laws relating to State highways.

The Department of Highways shall have authority to make and carry out and to do every other act necessary to carry out the project herein authorized.

Section 3. After the completion of such bridge and the approaches thereto, they shall be reconstructed and maintained by the Department of Highways in accordance with present or future laws governing the reconstruction and maintenance of State highways.

Section 4. So much of the money in the Motor License Fund from time to time as may be needed to carry out the provisions of this act is hereby specifically appropriated to the Department of Highways for such purposes.

APPROVED-The 2d day of February, A. D. 1966.

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