

**BRIDGES, TOLL AUTHORIZED**  
**Act of Mar. 16, 1933, P.L. 12, No. 10**  
AN ACT

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Authorizing the Department of Highways to arrange with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation for advancement of funds to finance the construction of toll bridges; authorizing the construction and maintenance of such bridges, approaches, and connecting roads to State highways by the Department of Highways; providing for the condemnation of property necessary for the construction thereof, and the assessment and payment of damages therefor; providing for the collection of tolls upon certain terms and conditions and the deposit thereof in the State Treasury in a special fund; providing for the payment of toll collection, costs, maintenance charges, and repayments to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation from said fund; providing for the cessation of tolls, and payment of subsequent maintenance costs from the Motor License Fund; and appropriating certain money in the Motor License Fund to carry out the provisions of said act.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the Department of Highways of this Commonwealth shall have the power and authority to enter into arrangements with the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, or any other agency of the Federal Government authorized so to act, for the advancement of the necessary funds to effect the construction of any bridge or bridges over rivers or streams within this Commonwealth. Said arrangements are to be effected without any financial obligation on the part of the Commonwealth or the Department of Highways.

(1 amended Dec. 4, 1933, Sp. Sess. 1, P.L.37, No.5)

Section 2. The Department of Highways, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby empowered to lay out and construct, and thereafter maintain, any such bridge or bridges and approaches thereto for which arrangements have been made as provided in section one of this act, together with such roads as may be necessary to connect the said bridge with existing State highways.

Section 3. The Department of Highways is hereby authorized to condemn the necessary land for the construction of said bridge or bridges, and the approaches thereto, and connecting roads to State highways. The procedure for condemnation of property necessary for the construction of said bridges, approaches, and connecting roads to State highways, and the assessment and payment of damages for property taken, injured or destroyed, shall be in accordance with present or future laws governing the condemnation of property for State highways, and the assessment and payment of damages for property taken, injured, or destroyed, for such purpose.

Section 4. Upon the completion of any bridge or bridges authorized under the provisions of this act, the Department of Highways shall collect tolls from the users of such bridge, in such amount and upon such terms and conditions as may be

approved by the Public Service Commission. When sufficient tolls have been collected to cover maintenance charges, and to repay any balance due the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or such other agency of the Federal Government for advancements made as herein provided, said bridge or bridges shall become free, and the collection of tolls shall thereupon cease. Thereafter said bridge or bridges shall be maintained by the Department of Highways out of the Motor License Fund.

(4 amended Dec. 4, 1933, Sp. Sess. 1, P.L.37, No.5)

Section 5. All tolls collected for the use of said bridge or bridges shall be deposited in the State Treasury in a separate fund, and shall be used only for the purposes of paying toll collection costs and maintenance charges, and repayment of advancements received from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or such other agency of the Federal Government. Toll collection costs, maintenance charges, and repayments to the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or such other agency of the Federal Government from said fund will be made by the State Treasurer on warrant of the Auditor General, upon requisition of the Secretary of Highways, in accordance with arrangements entered into between the Department of Highways and the Reconstruction Finance Corporation or such other agency of the Federal Government.

(5 amended Dec. 4, 1933, Sp. Sess. 1, P.L.37, No.5)

Section 6. The construction and maintenance of connecting roads from such bridge or bridges to State highways shall be performed by the Department of Highways and paid from the Motor License Fund.