

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF R.S. 27:19-21
(Liability during Repairs of Bridges)

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Laws 1918, Chapter 185, S17 -- Introduced January 8, 1918 by Senator Richards

General act providing for government of counties

No statement on the bill

52-page introduced bill

49-page Committee Substitute for Senate, No. 17

January 30 - Senate Committee Substitute - omits provisions for a county police system

This provision in original bill was §1321.
(Photostat of §1321 of original bill enclosed.)

Laws 1920, Chapter 219 - A291 -- Introduced February 24, 1920 by Mr. McAteer

Not amended during passage

Had statement

This amendment dealt with an error in the original act (last sentence) dealing with the height of bridges. This provision was repealed by 1921 act (see below).

Laws 1921, Chapter 114 - A149 -- Introduced January 31, 1921 by Mr. Dutcher

Bill was amended during passage

Bill had statement. (Photostat of original bill with statement enclosed.)

1924 Supplement - §48-1320

1937 Revision

The changes made by this Revision as compared to the 1924 supplement are indicated below:

When[ever] it shall be necessary to repair or rebuild any bridge, culvert or viaduct [in this State] the public authorities,

[corporation] or person so repairing or rebuilding [such bridge, culvert or viaduct] it shall not be liable for damages occasioned by obstructing or stopping navigation or traffic[;], [provided that said] if the repairs or rebuilding be prosecuted with all possible dispatch[;], and [provided, further, that] notice of such intended repairs or rebuilding which will result in obstructing or stopping navigation be given at least three days prior to commencing the work, by publishing notice thereof in some newspaper circulating in the county or counties adjacent to such bridge or viaduct.

We located no hearings or reports on this legislation.

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