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BRIDGE ACROSS THE COOSA RIVER AT OR NEAR LEESBURG, ALA.

DECEMBER 16 (calendar day, DECEMBER 18), 1924.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. LADD, from the Committee on Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 9518]

The Committee on Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 9518) granting the consent of Congress to the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct and maintain a bridge across the Coosa River at or near Leesburg, Ala., having considered the same, report favorably thereon, and recommend that the bill do pass without amendment.

The bill has the approval of the Departments of War and Agriculture, as will appear by the annexed communication.

WAR DEPARTMENT, *June 3, 1924.*

Respectfully returned to the chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, House of Representatives.

So far as the interests committed to this department are concerned, I know of no objection to the favorable consideration of the accompanying bill (H. R. 9518, 68th Cong., 1st sess.) "to authorize the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct and maintain a bridge across the Coosa River at or near Leesburg, Ala., connecting Leesburg, Ala., and Center, Ala., on the primary road system of the State," if amended as indicated in red thereon.

As the navigable portions of the Coosa River do not lie within the limits of a single State, the consent of Congress is required under section 9 of the river and harbor act of March 3, 1899 (30 Stat. 1151), for the construction of a bridge thereover.

JOHN W. WEEKS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, June 2, 1924.

HON. SAMUEL E. WINSLOW,

*Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. WINSLOW: Careful consideration has been given to the bill H. R. 9518, transmitted with your letter of May 29, 1924, with request for a report thereon and such views relative thereto as the department might desire to communicate.

BRIDGE ACROSS COOSA RIVER, LEESBURG, ALA.

This bill would authorize the State of Alabama, through its highway department, to construct and maintain a bridge and approaches across the Coosa River at a point connecting Leesburg and Center, Ala., on the primary road system of the State. The site of the proposed bridge is on the system of Federal aid highways approved for Alabama. The bill would grant authority to construct the bridge in question to the State highway department, and this department would recommend favorable action thereon.

Sincerely,

HENRY C. WALLACE, *Secretary.*

