

BRIDGE ACROSS THE COOSA RIVER, BETWEEN CHILTON
AND COOSA COUNTIES, ALA.

FEBRUARY 11, 1926.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. HUDDLESTON, from the Committee on Interstate and Foreign
Commerce, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 8528]

The Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8528) granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Alabama to construct a bridge across the Coosa River on the Clanton-Rockford road between Chilton and Coosa Counties, Ala., having considered the same, report thereon with a recommendation that it pass.

The bill has the approval of the War and Agriculture Departments, as will appear by the letters attached and which are made a part of this report.

[Second indorsement]

WAR DEPARTMENT, *February 2, 1926.*

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. 8528, 69th Cong., 1st sess., granting the consent of Congress to the highway department of the State of Alabama to construct a bridge across the Coosa River on the Clanton-Rockford road between Chilton and Coosa Counties, Ala.

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.

DWIGHT F. DAVIS, *Secretary of War.*

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
Washington, February 2, 1926.

Hon. JAMES S. PARKER,
*Chairman Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce,
House of Representatives.*

DEAR MR. PARKER: Careful consideration has been given to the bill (H. R. 8528) transmitted with your letter of January 29 with request for a report thereon and such views relative thereto as the department might desire to communicate.

This bill would authorize the highway department of Alabama, its successors and assigns, to construct, maintain, and operate a bridge and approaches thereto across the Coosa River on the Clanton-Rockford road between Chilton and Coosa Counties. The location indicated for the proposed road is not on the system of Federal-aid highways approved for the State of Alabama. However, the department is informed that the proposed bridge is contemplated for construction as a free bridge from the proceeds of a State bond issue to be submitted to the electors of the State for ratification. The bill, therefore, would appear to be without objection.

Sincerely,

R. W. DUNLAP, *Acting Secretary.*