

bridge or bridges be reported as proper and expedient to be built or repaired, then the said several county commissioners shall direct the said examiners to advertise for sealed proposals to build or repair, as the case may be, such bridge or bridges, as in their report may be mentioned, stating the place, plan, material and workmanship, with sufficient certainty for the purpose of obtaining proper proposals for the same, and also the place and time such sealed proposals will be opened; and at the place so advertised, the said examiners shall meet and open said proposals, and shall award the work to the lowest bidder, all things being considered, who shall thereupon enter into a contract with said examiners, and give bond, with security, to be by them approved, under a penalty double the amount of the price of the work, for the faithful performance of said work in the said contract mentioned; and the said examiners, during the progress of the work, and up to its completion, shall at any time have full authority to examine and direct the same, and when completed, receive the same and open it for public use, and notify the commissioners of their respective counties thereof; and the county commissioners aforesaid shall, thereupon, pay, or cause to be paid or levy for their respective proportions of the cost of the said work according to the contract.

Arbitration.

SEC. 7. *And be it enacted*, That in case the examiners, on the part of adjoining counties, cannot agree as to the relative amount each county shall pay of the costs and expenses of building or repairing any bridge or bridges, then the said examiners, or a majority of them, on the part of each county, shall each appoint an arbitrator to determine the matter in dispute; and in case the arbitrators cannot agree, they shall appoint an umpire, who shall not be a resident of either county, and the award and determination of the arbitrators or umpire shall be final and conclusive in the matter submitted.

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SEC. 8. *And be it enacted*, That nothing in this act shall be construed to authorise any county commissioners to build, or order to be built, any draw-bridge or bridges, or any bridge or bridges, across navigable rivers or waters.

May appeal.

SEC. 9. *And be it enacted*, That in all cases, upon representation in writing, of any citizen or citizens of any county in which the county commissioners may, under this act, determine to build or repair any bridge

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