No. 229.

AN ACT

Authorizing the Secretary of the Commonwealth to give bond for the duties on rail iron entitled to draw back.

Preamble.

Whereas it is provided in and by an act of Congress of the fourteenth of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-two, that when it shall be satisfactorily proved to the Secretary of the Treasury that any rail iron imported for the purpose of being applied in the construction of any rail road or inclined plane, by any State or incorporated company, has been actually and permanently laid on such rail road or inclined plane, he may allow a draw back of the duty on such rail iron so laid; or if the duty has been paid, he may refund the same, authorizing the Secretary whenever any rail road iron may have been or shall hereafter be imported as aforesaid, and the bonds given for the duties on the same shall become due before the said iron can be so laid down, to extend the time for the payment of so much of said bonds as shall be equal to the draw backs to which the State or company may be entitled: *Provided*, That the time should not be extended beyond three years from the date of the importation, and authorizing the Secretary further, when such State or company may have paid the amount of such bond, to cause the amount of the draw back on the same to be refunded, on taking bond with sufficient sureties that the same shall be repaid, should the iron for which said bond may be given not be actually laid down within three years from the time of importation: *And whereas*, There is no authority to execute a bond on behalf and obligatory on the State: Therefore,

Proviso.

Sec'y of State to give bond to Sec'y of the Treasury of the U. S.

Section 1. *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same*, That the Secretary of this Commonwealth be and he is hereby authorized to execute and deliver to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States, under the seal of the State, a bond or bonds under the provisions of the foregoing act of Congress, when or so often as may be necessary, and the faith of the State is pledged for the payment thereof.

WM. PATTERSON,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

JACOB KERN,
Speaker of the Senate.

Approved—The fifteenth day of April, one thousand eight hundred and thirty-four.

GEO: WOLF.