[CHAPTER 259]  

JOINT RESOLUTION  

Providing an appropriation for the month of July 1939, for the Petroleum Conservation Division, Department of the Interior.

Resolved by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $20,000 for the month of July 1939, for administering and enforcing the provisions of the Act approved February 22, 1935 (49 Stat. 30), entitled "An Act to regulate interstate and foreign commerce in petroleum and its products by prohibiting the shipment in such commerce of petroleum and its products produced in violation of State law, and for other purposes", as amended, and to include necessary personal services in the District of Columbia and elsewhere without regard to the civil-service laws and regulations, traveling expenses, contract stenographic reporting services, rent, stationery, and office supplies, not to exceed $500 for necessary expenses of attendance at meetings and conferences concerned with the work of petroleum conservation when authorized by the Secretary of the Interior, not to exceed $2,500 for printing and binding, not to exceed $100 for books and periodicals, and for the hire, maintenance, operation, and repair of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles.

Approved, July 1, 1939.

[CHAPTER 260]  

AN ACT

To extend the time within which the powers relating to the stabilization fund and alteration of the weight of the dollar may be exercised.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That subsection (a) of section 10 of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934, approved January 30, 1934, as amended, is further amended by striking out the period at the end of such subsection and adding thereto the words "and to the Congress."

Sec. 2. Subsection (c) of section 10 of the Gold Reserve Act of 1934, approved January 30, 1934, as amended, is further amended to read as follows:

"(c) All the powers conferred by this section shall expire June 30, 1941, unless the President shall sooner declare the existing emergency ended and the operation of the stabilization fund terminated."

Sec. 3. The second sentence added to paragraph (b) (2) of Section 43, title III, of the Act approved May 12, 1933, by section 12 of said Gold Reserve Act of 1934, as amended, is further amended to read as follows: "The powers of the President specified in this paragraph shall be deemed to be separate, distinct, and continuing powers, and may be exercised by him, from time to time, severally or together, whenever and as the expressed objects of this section in his judgment may require; except that such powers shall expire June 30, 1941, unless the President shall sooner declare the existing emergency ended."

Sec. 4. (a) Each United States coinage mint shall receive for coinage into standard silver dollars any silver which such mint, subject to regulations prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury, is satisfied has been mined subsequently to July 1, 1939, from natural deposits in the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof.

(b) The Director of such mint with the consent of the owner shall deduct and retain of such silver so received 45 per centum as seign-