

vided in such plan or lease is vested in the Secretary of the Navy, subject to approval by the President, to alter or modify from time to time in his discretion the rate of prospecting and development on, and the quantity and rate of production from, such lands of the United States under said plan or lease, any law to the contrary notwithstanding.”

(b) Section 3 of the Act of June 30, 1938, is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 3. All Acts or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed: *Provided, however,* That nothing herein contained shall be construed as limiting the powers of the President or the Secretary of the Navy under Title II of the Act of March 27, 1942, known as ‘The Second War Powers Act, 1942.’”

Approved June 17, 1944.

52 Stat. 1255.
34 U. S. C. § 524
note.

56 Stat. 177.
50 U. S. C., Supp.
III, app. § 632.

[CHAPTER 263]

JOINT RESOLUTION

Providing for operation of naval petroleum and oil-shale reserves.

June 17, 1944
[H. J. Res. 286]
[Public Law 344]

Whereas it has been urgently requested by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and recommended by the Secretary of the Navy that production from Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1 be substantially increased at the earliest possible date to meet the critical need for petroleum on the west coast to supply the armed services in the Pacific theater: Therefore be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, notwithstanding the provisions of the Act of June 4, 1920, as amended, relating to the naval petroleum reserves, the Secretary of the Navy be, and he hereby is, authorized, with the approval of the President, during the period of eighteen months from and after June 1, 1944, to develop and operate, or to cause to be developed and operated, the lands in Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1, directly or by contract, (a) to the end that the productive capacity of the reserve, including the privately owned and leased lands included therein, may be increased to permit a daily rate of production of sixty-five thousand barrels, but not in excess of such rate, and (b) to produce or to cause to be produced from said lands during said period up to but not in excess of a total of thirty million barrels of petroleum: *Provided,* That the Secretary of the Navy is hereby authorized to enter into contracts under the appropriation “Naval Emergency Fund” for increasing the production of petroleum in Naval Petroleum Reserve Numbered 1 to the extent authorized in this resolution.

Naval Petroleum
Reserve No. 1.
Development and
operation.
41 Stat. 813.
34 U. S. C. § 524.
Ante, p. 280.

Post, p. 302.

Approved June 17, 1944.

[CHAPTER 266]

AN ACT

To extend, for two additional years, the provisions of the Sugar Act of 1937, as amended, and the taxes with respect to sugar.

June 20, 1944
[H. R. 4833]
[Public Law 345]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 513 of the Sugar Act of 1937, as amended (relating to termination of powers of the Secretary of Agriculture under the Sugar Act), is amended to read as follows:

“SEC. 513. The powers vested in the Secretary under this Act shall terminate on December 31, 1946, except that the Secretary shall have power to make payments under title III under programs applicable to the crop year 1946 and previous crop years.”

Sugar Act of 1937,
amendments.
50 Stat. 916.
7 U. S. C., Supp.
III, § 1183.

Termination of
powers.
50 Stat. 909.
7 U. S. C. §§ 1131-
1137; Supp. III, §§ 1131,
1134, 1137.