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SEC. 4. Additional copies of each hardbound decennial revised edition and of the cumulative pocket-part supplements thereto shall be printed and distributed in accordance with the provisions of any concurrent resolution hereafter adopted with respect thereto.

SEC. 5. There are authorized to be appropriated such sums, to remain available until expended, as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this joint resolution.

Approved December 24, 1970.

Appropriation.

## Public Law 91-590

### AN ACT

December 28, 1970  
[H. R. 8298]

To amend section 303(b) of the Interstate Commerce Act to modernize certain restrictions upon the application and scope of the exemption provided therein, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 303(b) of the Interstate Commerce Act, as amended (49 U.S.C. 903(b)), is amended to read as follows:

Interstate Commerce Act, amendment.  
54 Stat. 931.  
Water carriers, bulk commodities, exemption.

“(b) Nothing in this part shall apply to the transportation by a water carrier of commodities in bulk when the cargo space of the vessel in which such commodities are transported is being used for the carrying of not more than three such commodities. This subsection shall apply only in the case of commodities in bulk which are (in accordance with the existing custom of the trade in the handling and transportation of such commodities as of June 1, 1939) loaded and carried without wrappers or containers and received and delivered by the carrier without transportation mark or count. The exemption afforded under this subsection to the transportation by a water carrier of commodities in bulk shall not be lost by the concurrent transportation in the same vessel of other commodities. For the purposes of this subsection two or more vessels while navigated as a unit shall be considered to be a single vessel. This subsection shall not apply to transportation subject, at the time this part takes effect, to the provisions of the Intercoastal Shipping Act, 1933, as amended.”

47 Stat. 1425.  
46 USC 848.  
Study.

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall expire at the end of the three-year period beginning on the date of its enactment. The Secretary of Transportation shall undertake a comprehensive study of the present system of economic regulation of dry bulk commodity transportation, including information on amounts actually charged for the movement of dry bulk commodities; of the effect of this Act upon the carriers to whom it applies and upon the shippers of dry bulk commodities; and what changes in the existing regulatory system, if any, would be desirable to improve competitive conditions between carriers of different modes whether or not subject to the provisions of the Interstate Commerce Act. The Interstate Commerce Commission and the Secretary of the Army are directed to cooperate fully with the Secretary of Transportation in carrying out the purposes of this Act, and to submit such independent and separate comments and views as those agencies deem appropriate. The Secretary shall transmit the results of such study to the Congress within two years after the date of enactment of this Act.

Report to Congress.

Reports.

SEC. 3. In carrying out its functions under section 2 of this Act, the Secretary of Transportation may require water carriers operating under the exemption contained in section 303(b) of the Interstate Commerce Act to file such reports containing such information as the Secretary may prescribe.

Approved December 28, 1970.

Ante, p. 1587.

## Public Law 91-591

## AN ACT

December 28, 1970  
[H. R. 19402]

To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to receive gifts for the benefit of the National Agricultural Library.

National Agricultural Library.  
Gifts.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That*

SEC. 2. The Secretary of Agriculture is hereby authorized to accept, receive, hold, and administer on behalf of the United States gifts, bequests, or devises of real and personal property made unconditionally for the benefit of the National Agricultural Library or for the carrying out of any of its functions. Conditional gifts may be accepted and used in accordance with their provisions provided that no gift may be accepted which is conditioned on any expenditure not to be met therefrom or from the income thereof unless such expenditure has been approved by Act of Congress.

SEC. 3. Any gift of money accepted pursuant to the authority granted in section 2, or the net proceeds from the liquidation of any other property so accepted, or the proceeds of any insurance on any gift property not used for its restoration shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States for credit to a separate account and shall be disbursed upon order of the Secretary of Agriculture.

Approved December 28, 1970.

## Public Law 91-592

## JOINT RESOLUTION

December 28, 1970  
[S. J. Res. 226]

To authorize the President to proclaim the period from May 9, 1971, Mother's Day, through June 20, 1971, Father's Day, as the "National Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Hope Chest Appeal Weeks".

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Hope Chest Appeal Weeks.  
Proclamation.

*Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the President of the United States is authorized and requested to issue a proclamation—*

(1) designating the period from May 9, 1971, Mother's Day, through June 20, 1971, Father's Day, as "National Multiple Sclerosis Society Annual Hope Chest Appeal Weeks";

(2) inviting the Governors of the several States to issue proclamations for like purposes; and

(3) urging the people of the United States and educational, philanthropic, scientific, medical, and health care professions and organizations to provide the assistance and resources necessary to discover the cause and cure of multiple sclerosis and to alleviate the suffering of persons stricken by this disease.

Approved December 28, 1970.