Public Law 88-162

JOINT RESOLUTION

Making continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 1964, and for other purposes.

October 30, 1963 [H. J. Res. 782]

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the joint resolution of August 28, 1963 (Public Law 88-109), is hereby amended by striking out "October 31, 1963" and inserting in lieu thereof "November 30, 1963".

Continuing Appropriations, Ante, p. 134.

Approved October 30, 1963.

Public Law 88-163

To provide for exceptions to the rules of navigation in certain cases.

October 30, 1963 [H. R. 75]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That (a) the Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating may Navigation retary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating may rules, exceppermit vessels desiring to navigate or operate under bridges con-tion. structed over navigable waters of the United States to temporarily lower any lights, day signals, or other navigational means and appliances prescribed or required pursuant to law, rule, or regulation, and, if necessary, may authorize vessels so navigating or operating to depart from the rules to prevent collisions as prescribed by law, rule, or regulation. The Secretary of the Department in which the Coast Guard is operating may also prescribe such special regulations to be observed by vessels so navigating or operating as in his judgment the public safety may require for the prevention of collisions.

(b) Notice of the regulations to accomplish the purposes of this Act shall be published in the Federal Register and in the Notice to Mariners, and after the effective date specified in such notices, such

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regulations shall have the force of law.

(c) Any person who navigates or operates a vessel in violation of the regulations established pursuant to this section shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding \$500. In addition, any vessel navigated or operated in violation of the regulations established pursuant to this section shall be liable to a penalty of \$500, for which sum such vessel may be seized and proceeded against, by way of libel, in the district court of the United States for any district within which such Penalty.

vessel may be found. Approved October 30, 1963.