JOINT RESOLUTION
To provide for advancing the effective date of the final order of the Interstate Commerce Commission in Docket No. MC 43 (Sub-No. 2).

Whereas the Interstate Commerce Commission, through its proposed order issued January 30, 1974, in Docket No. MC 43 (Sub-No. 2), seeks to alleviate a serious and pressing transportation problem by requiring carriers to reimburse their owner-operators for all increases in the price of fuel over the base period May 15, 1973; and

Whereas section 221(b) of the Interstate Commerce Act, 49 U.S.C. 321(b) appears to preclude the Commission from making its final order in MC 43 (Sub-No. 2) effective in less than thirty days; and

Whereas the inability to effectuate the final order in MC 43 (Sub-No. 2) more promptly will cause substantial hardship to a significant portion of the motor carrier industry and the shipping public; and

Whereas there exists a national transportation crisis which presents a grave risk to the commerce and well-being of the Nation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commission shall issue a final order in MC 43 (Sub-No. 2) as soon as possible which shall become effective not later than February 15, 1974.

Approved February 8, 1974.

AN ACT
To amend the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921, to require the advice and consent of the Senate for future appointments to the offices of Director and Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the first two sentences of section 207 of the Budget and Accounting Act, 1921 (31 U.S.C. 16) are amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 207. There is in the Executive Office of the President an Office of Management and Budget. There shall be in the Office a Director and a Deputy Director, both of whom shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate."

SEC. 2. The amendment made by the first section of this Act shall take effect—

(1) insofar as such amendment relates to appointments to the office of Director of the Office of Management and Budget, immediately after the individual holding that office on the date of the enactment of this Act ceases to hold that office;

(2) insofar as such amendment relates to appointments to the office of Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget, immediately after the individual holding that office on the date of the enactment of this Act ceases to hold that office; and

(3) immediately as to such vacant office or offices, if the Office of the Director or the Office of the Deputy Director of the Office of Management and Budget is vacant when this Act is enacted.

Approved March 2, 1974.