Whetstone Diversion Channel, at a point suitable to the interests of navigation, at or near Ortonville, Minnesota, in accordance with the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act to regulate the construction of bridges over navigable waters", approved March 23, 1906, and subject to the conditions and limitations contained in this Act.

Sec. 2. The right to alter, amend, or repeal this Act is hereby expressly reserved.

Approved, October 10, 1940.

[CHAPTER 857]  JOINT RESOLUTION

Making an additional appropriation for national defense housing for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, and for other purposes.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following sums are appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1941, for the purposes enumerated:

FEDERAL WORKS AGENCY

National defense housing: To enable the Federal Works Administrator to carry out the purposes of the Act entitled "An Act to expedite the provision of housing in connection with national defense, and for other purposes", H. R. 10412, as enacted into law during the Seventy-sixth Congress, $75,000,000, to be expended in accordance with the provisions of such Act, to remain available until expended, and to be available for all necessary administrative expenses for the purposes hereof, including personal services and rent in the District of Columbia and elsewhere, printing and binding, and purchase, repair, operation, and maintenance of motor-propelled passenger-carrying vehicles; and in addition to such appropriation, authority is granted to enter into contracts or otherwise to incur obligations for the above purposes in amounts not to exceed in the aggregate $75,000,000: Provided, That in no case under the foregoing appropriation or contractual authorization shall the fixed fee to be paid the contractor under any contract entered into without reference to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United States on a cost-plus-a-fixed-fee basis exceed 6 per centum of the estimated cost of the contract, exclusive of the fee, as determined by the Administrator or the head of such Federal agency through which he may act: Provided further, That the fact that a contract is entered into under the provisions of the above mentioned Act without reference to section 3709 of the Revised Statutes of the United States shall not be construed to render inapplicable the provisions of the Act of March 3, 1931, as amended by the Act of August 30, 1935 (49 Stat. 1011; U. S. C., title 40, sec. 276 (a)), or the provisions of the Act of June 30, 1936 (49 Stat. 2086; U. S. C., title 41, secs. 35-45), to any contract to which the provisions of either or both of such Acts would otherwise apply.

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Enforcement of the Commodity Exchange Act: For an additional amount to enable the Secretary of Agriculture to carry into effect the provisions of the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended (7 U. S. C., 1-17a), and as further amended by the Act entitled "An Act to amend the Commodity Exchange Act, as amended, to extend its provisions to fats and oils, cottonseed, cottonseed meal, and peanuts", H. R. 4088, as enacted into law during the Seventy-sixth Congress, $40,000.

Approved, October 14, 1940.