RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the practice of trip-leasing motor truck equipment with driver for short terms for a percentage of revenues earned has increased to such extent as to threaten the operations of responsible motor carriers and other carriers, and

WHEREAS, effective regulation and control over the safety of equipment, hours of service of drivers and efficiency of motor transportation by the Interstate Commerce Commission and the several State Commissions requires that such regulatory agencies retain the power to prescribe minimum requirements as to equipment leases and the terms thereof, and

WHEREAS, the United States Supreme Court has sustained the propriety of action by the Interstate Commerce Commission prohibiting leases of trucks with drivers for periods of less than thirty days, which limitation was made after investigation and public hearings conducted over a period of more than two years, and

WHEREAS, H.R. 3203 and its companion bill S. 925, now pending before the Congress, would take from the Interstate Commerce Commission the power to regulate and control such leasing practices

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Mountain-Pacific States Conference of Public Service Commissions does hereby express its opposition to H.R. 3203 and S. 925 and any legislation which would impair the power of regulatory agencies over the leasing of motor equipment.

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Unanimously adopted by the Mountain-Pacific States Conference of Public Service Commissions at its annual meeting at Yellowstone Park, Wyoming on June 25, 1953.