APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING
JUNE 30, 1970

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MRS. HANSEN of Washington, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 12781]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 12781) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and for other purposes, having met, after full and free conference, have agreed to recommend and do recommend to their respective Houses as follows:

That the Senate recede from its amendments numbered 22, 27, 31, 38, 42, 43, 54, and 55.
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 21, 26, 28, 29, 32, 33, 36, 39, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, and 51, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 4:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 4, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $2,899,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 6:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 6, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $176,703,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 9:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 9, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $3,750,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 18:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 18, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $24,000,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 19:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 19, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $15,300,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 23:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 23, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $48,850,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 25:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 25, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $5,800,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 30:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 30, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the matter stricken and inserted by said amendment insert:
And including not to exceed ninety-seven for police type use, which may exceed the general purchase price limitation for the current fiscal year by the cost of air-conditioning and not to exceed $300 for police type equipment; purchase of two aircraft, one of which shall be for replacement only, and acquisition from excess sources without reimbursement of two additional aircraft; and to provide, notwithstanding any other provision of law, at a cost not exceeding $50,000, transportation for children in nearby communities to and from any unit of the National Park System used in connection with organized recreation and interpretive programs of the National Park Service.
And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 34:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 34, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $192,810,000; and the Senate agree to the same.
Amendment numbered 37:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 37, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $99,481,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 44:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 44, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $13,790,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 45:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 45, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $6,050,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 52:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 52, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum named in said amendment insert: $700,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 53:
That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 53, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:
In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert $192,500; and the Senate agree to the same.
The committee of conference report in disagreement amendments numbered 15, 16, 20, 24, 35, 40, and 41.

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STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 12781) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1970, and for other purposes, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon and recommended in the accompanying conference report as to each of such amendments, namely:

TITLE I—DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Amendment No. 1: Technical correction as proposed by the Senate.
Amendment No. 2: Technical correction as proposed by the Senate.
Amendment No. 3: Appropriates $52,573,000 for management of lands and resources as proposed by the Senate, instead of $52,600,000 as proposed by the House.
Amendment No. 4: Appropriates $2,899,000 for construction and maintenance instead of $2,925,000 as proposed by the House and $2,873,000 as proposed by the Senate.
Amendment No. 5: Technical correction as proposed by the Senate.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Amendment No. 6: Appropriates $176,703,000 for education and welfare services instead of $176 million as proposed by the House and $177,503,000 as proposed by the Senate. The amount provided includes $1,500,000 for kindergartens in public schools, $392,000 for a college work-study intern program, and $253,000 for community development programs. The conferees agree that none of the funds provided for kindergartens in public schools shall be used for administration by the Bureau of Indian Affairs. The conferees further agree with the Senate report language which stipulates that $300,000 of funds provided for the improved curriculum program shall be utilized for additional dormitory personnel as indicated in the House report.
Amendment No. 7: Appropriates $55,242,000 for resources management as proposed by the Senate instead of $55,692,000 as proposed by the House. The conferees agree that $100,000 of funds available for repair and maintenance of buildings and utilities shall be used for the work-learn program.
Amendment No. 8: Appropriates $26,264,000 for construction as proposed by the Senate instead of $25,373,000 as proposed by the House.

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Amendment No. 9: Appropriates $3,750,000 for salaries and expenses instead of $3,500,000 as proposed by the House and $4,090,000 as proposed by the Senate. The conferees agree to the continued use of not to exceed $50,000 for expenses of the Citizens’ Advisory Committee on Environmental Quality pending action on authorizing legislation now in Congress.

LAND AND WATER CONSERVATION

Amendment No. 10: Appropriates $62 million for payments to States as proposed by the Senate instead of $75 million as proposed by the House. The conferees are in agreement that payments to States should be accelerated when the backlog of Federal acquisition has been materially reduced. It is also the opinion of the conferees that those States which charge higher admission prices for out-of-State visitors to enjoy local recreation areas contravene the sense of the national recreation program.

Amendment No. 11: Appropriates $28,572,000 for the National Park Service cash program as proposed by the Senate instead of $17,772,000 as proposed by the House. The amount provided includes the following:

- Assateague Island National Seashore, $2,789,718;
- Biscayne National Monument, $2,500,000;
- Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, $2 million;
- Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, $5 million;
- North Cascades National Park, $250,000;
- Ozark National Scenic Riverway, $558,100;
- Guadalupe Mountains National Park, $115,000;
- Glen Canyon National Recreation Area, $150,000;
- San Juan Island National Historic Park, $476,300;
- Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore, $743,100;
- inholdings, $674,182;
- Grand Teton National Park (JY Ranch), $1,050,000;
- court awards (Padre Island National Seashore), $12,115,600;
- wild and scenic rivers, $100,000;
- and national trails system, $50,000.

The conferees are in agreement that the fiscal year 1970 contract authorizations for the National Park Service be reexamined and resubmitted for committee approval at a later date.

Amendment No. 12: Appropriates $13,700,000 for Forest Service acquisitions as proposed by the Senate instead of $11,500,000 as proposed by the House.

OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

Amendment No. 13: Appropriates $14,921,400 for administration of territories as proposed by the Senate, instead of $14,700,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 14: Appropriates $40,612,000 for Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands as proposed by the Senate, instead of $41,612,000 as proposed by the House.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Amendment No. 15: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and
concur with an amendment providing $95,755,000 for surveys, investigations, and research instead of $95,628,000 as proposed by the House, and $95,115,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase over the Senate allowance includes $240,000 for artificial ground water recharge, and $400,000 for initiation of a program to evaluate exploratory geophysical data of leased Outer Continental Shelf areas.

BUREAU OF MINES

Amendment No. 16: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with an amendment providing $39,331,000 for conservation and development of mineral resources instead of $39 million as proposed by the House and $38,536,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase over the Senate allowance includes $100,000 for research on synthetic fuels, $600,000 for research on development of technology for mining methane laden coal deposits, and $95,000 for initiation of a program of mine subsidence inventories and mine mapping.

Amendment No. 17: Appropriates $14,332,000 for health and safety as proposed by the Senate instead of $14,782,000 as proposed by the House.

The conferees' action in this connection is based solely on the fact that the reductions of $130,000 for hiring and training of mine inspectors and $320,000 for research on dust production and control made by the Senate were predicated on the unusual budgetary situation whereby the identical amounts for these activities were fully funded in the Second Supplemental Appropriation Act of 1969 in order to accelerate these activities. Since the supplemental funds did not become available until July 22, 1969, provision was made in the supplemental appropriations act for the funds to remain available until September 30, 1969. In other words, the sums in question represented a duplicated budget request. The conferees are keenly aware of the urgent need for early and incisive action to make the Nation's mines a safer place in which to work. With the concerted emphasis now being directed in this connection, it is expected that a supplemental budget request will be received in fiscal year 1970 for mine safety work, in which case the conferees will be inclined to give it favorable consideration.

Amendment No. 18: Appropriates $24 million for the helium fund instead of $21 million as proposed by the House and $26,200,000 as proposed by the Senate.

OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH

Amendment No. 19: Appropriates $15,300,000 for salaries and expenses instead of $13,300,000 as proposed by the House and $15,800,000 as proposed by the Senate. The amount allowed provides $1 million for the lignite gasification project at Rapid City, S. Dak., instead of $1,500,000 as proposed by the Senate.

BUREAU OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

Amendment No. 20: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and
concur with an amendment providing $26,600,000 for management and investigations of resources instead of $26,400,000 as proposed by the House, and $26,345,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase over the amount approved by the House includes $200,000 for initiation of research on a pesticide problem developing in the Great Lakes.

The conferees are in agreement that $150,000 of S-K funds shall be used to study conflicting Federal and State legislative and regulatory restrictions on commercial fisheries and to submit recommendations for bringing them into conformity and uniformity.

Amendment No. 21: Appropriates $2,325,000 for construction as proposed by the Senate instead of $2,025,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 22: Appropriates $4,590,000 for Federal aid for commercial fisheries research and development as proposed by the House instead of $4,027,000 as proposed by the Senate.

The conferees direct that the full amount available for disaster relief under section 4(b) of the Federal Aid for Commercial Fisheries Research and Development Act shall be allocated as determined by the Secretary of the Interior on the basis of priority requirements.

BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Amendment No. 23: Appropriates $48,850,000 for management and investigations of resources instead of $48,503,000 as proposed by the House, and $48,570,000 as proposed by the Senate. The amount provided deletes the $100,000 for additional program needs at the Eastern Fish Disease Laboratory, Leetown, W. Va., and $50,000 for technical assistance in sport fishery management at Valentine, Nebr., as proposed by the Senate, and restores the $100,000 for visitor services at the Witchita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge, Okla., and $30,000 for the Cortland Fishery Center, New York, which were deleted by the Senate.

While the conferees recognize the need for additional funding for sport fishery management activities at Valentine, Nebr., the dictates of budgetary restrictions made it impossible to give this item favorable consideration along with many other worthwhile activities that did not receive conference approval.

Amendment No. 24: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with an amendment providing $1,959,000 for construction, instead of $1,686,000 as proposed by the House and $1,773,000 as proposed by the Senate. The amount provided includes $180,000 for additional facilities at the Lahontan National Fish Hatchery, Nevada; $230,000 for repair of Lake Darling Dam, N. Dak.; $136,000 for the Wolf Creek Hatchery, Kentucky; and $100,000 for the San Marcos Hatchery, Texas.

Amendment No. 25: Appropriates $5,800,000 for the migratory bird conservation account instead of $5 million as proposed by the House and $7,200,000 as proposed by the Senate.
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Amendment No. 26: Appropriates $49,100,000 for management and protection as proposed by the Senate instead of $49 million as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 27: Appropriates $40 million for maintenance and rehabilitation of physical facilities as proposed by the House instead of $40,037,000 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 28: Appropriates $7,700,000 for construction as proposed by the Senate, instead of $7,600,000 as proposed by the House.

The conferees agree that $100,000 of funds available for the Blue Ridge Parkway shall be used for establishing the centerline of the extension of the parkway from the vicinity of Beach Gap, N.C., to the vicinity of Kennesaw Mountain National Battle Field Park north of Atlanta and Marietta, Ga.

Amendment No. 29: Provides for the purchase of 46 passenger motor vehicles as proposed by the Senate, instead of 47 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 30: Amends language substituted by the Senate for original House language.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

Amendment No. 31: Appropriates $5,530,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the House, instead of $5,555,800 as proposed by the Senate.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Amendment No. 32: Appropriates $9,912,700 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the Senate, instead of $9,887,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 33: Deletes the $25,000 proposed by the House for the special foreign currency program.

TITLE II—RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

Amendment No. 34: Appropriates $192,810,000 for forest land management instead of $195,042,000 as proposed by the House and $191,985,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase over the Senate allowance includes $200,000 for range resource management, $150,000 for land classification, and $475,000 for the Ozark (Blanchard Springs) Visitor Center, Arkansas.

The conferees direct that recreation funds available as a result of deferred construction be used to the extent necessary for preliminary work programmed for the Ouachita (Kerr Memorial Arboretum) Visitor Center, Oklahoma.

Amendment No. 35: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with an amendment that will provide $42,137,000 for forest research instead of $41,880,000 as proposed by the House, and

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$41,326,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase over the amount provided by the Senate includes $500,000 for the Forest Sciences Laboratory, Corvallis, Oreg.; $71,000 (planning) for the Forest Service Timber Marketing and Utilization Research Laboratory, Duluth, Minn.; $90,000 for timber and watershed research, Arcata, Calif.; and $150,000 for initiation of a new periodic appraisal of the timber situation and outlook.

Amendment No. 36: Appropriates $22,729,000 for State and private forestry cooperation as proposed by the Senate, instead of $22,529,000 as proposed by the House.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

HEALTH SERVICES AND MENTAL HEALTH ADMINISTRATION

Amendment No. 37: Appropriates $99,481,000 for Indian health services instead of $98,581,000 as proposed by the House and $100,221,000 as proposed by the Senate. The reduction below the Senate allowance includes decreases of $250,000 for patient medical care, $150,000 for field health services, $125,000 for operation of the Phoenix Medical Center, $40,000 for registered nurse training, and $175,000 for contract dental care.

The conferees agree that $100,000 of funds available for field health services shall be utilized for additional community health representatives.

The conferees further agree that within available funds, an additional $20,000 shall be earmarked for registered nurse training.

The conferees are in agreement that the program to train additional registered nurses needs to be accelerated on a nationwide basis. It is therefore suggested that the agency give this activity a high priority in the formulation of the 1971 budget estimate.

Amendment No. 38: Appropriates $19 million for Indian health facilities as proposed by the House instead of $19,345,000 as proposed by the Senate. The $345,000 reduction below the Senate allowance shall be applied against the $872,000 budgeted for special projects in all areas.

The conferees are in agreement with regard to the use of $1,025,000 previously appropriated for stabilization of the Anchorage Hospital for construction of Indian health facilities programmed in the 1970 budget submission.

INDIAN CLAIMS COMMISSION

Amendment No. 39: Appropriates $850,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the Senate instead of $800,000 as proposed by the House.

NATIONAL CAPITAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Amendment No. 40: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with an amendment appropriating $222,700 for salaries and expenses instead of $922,700 as proposed by the House, and $300,000 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 41: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and
concur with the Senate language which provides for use of funds previously appropriated for land acquisition.

Amendment No. 42: Deletes $77,300 proposed by the Senate for the temporary commission on Pennsylvania Avenue, and restores house language. The conferees are in agreement that since this activity does not have congressional authorization, continuance of the program should be contingent upon the use of special funds available to the President that could be allocated for this activity.

Amendment No. 43: Restores House language.

NATIONAL FOUNDATION ON THE ARTS AND THE HUMANITIES

Amendment No. 44: Appropriates $13,790,000 for salaries and expenses instead of $14 million as proposed by the House and $13,690,000 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 45: Appropriates $6,050,000 for the National Endowment for the Humanities instead of $6,250,000 as proposed by the House and $5,950,000 as proposed by the Senate. The increase of $100,000 over the Senate allowance is for the bicentennial of the American Revolution program.

Amendment No. 46: Appropriates $1,490,000 for administrative expenses as proposed by the Senate instead of $1,500,000 as proposed by the House.

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

Amendment No. 47: Appropriates $28,134,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the Senate instead of $28,200,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 48: Appropriates $2,316,000 for museum programs and related research (special foreign currency program) as proposed by the Senate instead of $3 million as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 49: Technical correction as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 50: Appropriates $525,000 for restoration and renovation of buildings as proposed by the Senate instead of $425,000 as proposed by the House.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Amendment No. 51: Appropriates $3,390,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the Senate instead of $3,350,000 as proposed by the House.

NATIONAL COUNCIL ON MARINE RESOURCES AND ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT

Amendment No. 52: Appropriates $700,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the House instead of $760,000 as proposed by the Senate.

FEDERAL FIELD COMMITTEE FOR DEVELOPMENT-PLANNING IN ALASKA

Amendment No. 53: Appropriates $192,500 for salaries and expenses instead of $150,000 as proposed by the House and $235,000 as proposed by the Senate.

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LEWIS AND CLARK TRAIL COMMISSION

Amendment No. 54: Appropriates $5,000 for salaries and expenses as proposed by the House instead of $10,000 as proposed by the Senate.

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Amendment No. 55: Provides language proposed by the House instead of that proposed by the Senate.

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