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REPORT No. 1757

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1959

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Mr. Kirwan, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

. CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 10746]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 10746) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959, 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 17, 32,

and 33.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 19, 23, 24, 25, 31, and 34, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 2:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 2, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$525,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 3:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 3, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$2,800,000; 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 \$22,190,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 11:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 11, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$58,139,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 13:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 13, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$26,000,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 20:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 20, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$12,175,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 21:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 21, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$20,000,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 26:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 26, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$75,107,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 27:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 27, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$15,678,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 28:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 28, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$12,720,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 29:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 29, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$100,000; 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 sum proposed by said amendment insert \$26,000,000;

and the Se rate agree to the same.

The committee of conference report in disagreement amendments numbered 14, 18, and 22.

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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. 10746) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1959, 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

DEPARTMENTAL OFFICES

OFFICE OF SALINE WATER

Amendment No. 1: Appropriates \$825,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$785,000 as proposed by the House.

OFFICE OF OIL AND GAS

Amendment No. 2: Appropriates \$525,000 instead of \$550,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$500,000 as proposed by the House.

OFFICE OF THE SOLICITOR

Amendment No. 3: Appropriates \$2,800,000 instead of \$2,825,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$2,750,000 as proposed by the House.

ACQUISITION OF STRATEGIC MINERALS

Amendment No. 4: Appropriates \$3,200,000 as proposed by the Senate to continue the acquisition of asbestos and fluorspar to December 31, 1958, under the provisions of Public Law 733, 84th Congress.

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Amendment No. 5: Inserts language proposed by the Senate to

conform with the authorizing legislation.

Amendment No. 6: Appropriates \$22,190,000 for management of lands and resources instead of \$22,940,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$20,940,000 as proposed by the House. Of the increase provided over the House bill \$250,000 is for strengthening fire-control operations in Alaska and \$500,000 is for the weed-control program on public lands, including adequate funds to take immediate action to reseed those areas in Idaho that are serving as host plants for the beet leafhopper.

Amendments Nos. 7, 8, and 9: Insert language proposed by the

Senate to conform with the authorizing legislation.

Amendment No. 10: Appropriates \$4,685,000 for construction as proposed by the Senate instead of \$4,435,000 as proposed by the House.

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Amendment No. 11: Appropriates \$58,139,000 for education and welfare services instead of \$58,809,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$57,469,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 12: Appropriates \$18,100,000 for resources management as proposed by the Senate instead of \$17,000,000 as

proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 13: Appropriates \$26,000,000 for construction instead of \$40,571,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$13,800,000 as proposed by the House. The increase provided over the House bill

shall be applied to the items listed in the Senate report.

Amendment No. 14: Reported in disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to insert language making available not to exceed \$12,000 for payment to the North Dakota State Water Conservation Commission for the construction of culverts at Zeibaugh Pass, N. Dak. The conferees are in agreement that this amount shall be matched with a like amount by the State to provide a total of \$24,000 for the project.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Amendments Nos. 15 and 16: Appropriate \$36,915,000 as proposed

by the Senate instead of \$36,000,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 17: Permits purchase of 92 passenger motor vehicles for replacement only as proposed by the House instead of 112 as proposed by the Senate.

BUREAU OF MINES

Amendment No. 18: Reported in disagreement.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Amendment No. 19: Appropriates \$14,632,000 for management and protection as proposed by the Senate instead of \$14,150,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 20: Appropriates \$12,175,000 for maintenance and rehabilitation of physical facilities instead of \$12,750,000 as proposed

by the Senate and \$11,600,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 21: Appropriates \$20,000,000 for construction instead of \$24,000,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$12,400,000 as proposed by the House. The increase provided over the House bill shall be applied to the items listed in the Senate report.

Amendment No. 22: Reported in disagreement.

FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Amendment No. 23: Appropriates \$11,616,000 for management and investigations of resources as proposed by the Senate instead of \$11,508,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 24: Appropriates \$3,929,350 for construction as proposed by the Senate instead of \$1,458,000 as proposed by the House.

OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

ALASKA PUBLIC WORKS

Amendment No. 25: Appropriates \$5,300,000 as proposed by the Senate instead of \$4,000,000 as proposed by the House.

TITLE II—RELATED AGENCIES

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

FOREST SERVICE

Amendment No. 26: Appropriates \$75,107,000 for forest-land management instead of \$81,357,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$68,857,000 as proposed by the House. The portion of the increase over the House bill allocated to structural improvements shall be applied primarily to facilities for other than employee housing. The increase allowed includes \$250,000 for additional forest fire protection in southern California.

Amendment No. 27: Appropriates \$15,678,000 for forest research instead of \$16,728,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$12,128,000 as proposed by the House. Of the increase provided over the House blll \$2,500,000 is for the construction of research facilities as itemized in the Senate report. The conferees are in agreement that proper attention should be given to the Dutch elm disease problem in cooperation with the Agricultural Research Service. None of the increase above the House bill is for the Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wis.

Amendment No. 28: Appropriates \$12,720,000 for State and private forestry cooperation instead of \$13,245,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$12,195,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 29: Provides a limitation of \$100,000 for the acquisition of sites instead of \$150,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$50,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 30: Appropriates \$26,000,000 for forest roads and trails instead of \$27,000,000 as proposed by the Senate and \$23,750,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 31: Inserts language proposed by the Senate providing that these funds may be used for liquidation of obligations incurred pursuant to the contract authority in the Federal-Aid Highway Acts of 1956 and 1958. It is the intent of the conferees of both Houses that the amount appropriated herein shall be used solely for liquidation of obligations incurred under such contract authority.

Amendment No. 32: Deletes language inserted by the Senate appropriating \$500,000 for assistance to States for tree planting under section 401 of the Agricultural Act of 1956.

Amendment No. 33: Deletes language inserted by the Senate appropriating \$300,000 for acquisition of lands for the Superior National Forest.

Amendment No. 34: Eliminates, as proposed by the Senate, language limitation on the cost of buildings and improvements.

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