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CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 3790]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 3790) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, 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 9, 17, 25, 103, 109, and 130.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 20, 21, 22, 23, 27, 28, 29, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 52, 60, 64, 65, 66, 67, 69, 70, 71, 73, 74, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 100, 101, 102, 104, 105, 106, 107, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, and 125 and 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 \$200,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 7:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 7, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken out and inserted by said amendment insert *four*; 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 matter inserted by said amendment insert the following: *of which not to exceed \$8,387,470 shall be available for personal services, except force account personal services, and*; 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 matter stricken out and inserted by said amendment insert the following: *twenty-nine*; 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 \$41,824,750; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 51:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 51, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken out and inserted by said amendment insert the following: *one hundred and sixty passenger motor vehicles for replacement only*; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 54:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 54, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$4,500,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 55:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 55, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum named in said amendment insert the following: \$4,234,553; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 56:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 56, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$3,810,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 58:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 58, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$202,767,725; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 59:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 59, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum named in said amendment insert the following: \$38,104,672; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 68:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 68, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum named in said amendment insert the following: \$10,698,514; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 99:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 99, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed by said amendment insert \$6,678,196; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 126:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 126, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In line 2 of the matter inserted by said amendment, after the word "or", insert *by it*; and in line 4 of the matter inserted by said amendment, after the word "persons", insert *which*; and at the end of the matter inserted by said amendment, and before the period, insert: *Provided, That this section shall not be construed as having application to the preparation for publication of reports and maps resulting from authorized scientific and engineering investigations and surveys, to photography incident to the compilation and reproduction of maps and reports, or to photocopying of permanent records for preservation; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 127:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 127, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter inserted by said amendment insert the following:

*SEC. 302. No part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any civilian employee of the Government in the District of Columbia whose duties consist of acting as chauffeur of any Government-owned passenger motor vehicle (other than a bus or ambulance and two passenger motor vehicles assigned one to the Secretary and one to the Under Secretary), unless such appropriation is specifically authorized to be used for paying the compensation of employees performing such duties.*

And the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 128:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 128, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lines 4 and 5 of the matter inserted by said amendment, strike out the words "one hundred and fifteen" and insert in lieu thereof the following: *one hundred and ten*; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 131:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 131, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken out and inserted by said amendment insert the following:

*SEC. 305. No part of any appropriation or authorization contained in this Act shall be used to pay the compensation of any incumbent appointed to any civil office or position which may become vacant during the fiscal year beginning on July 1, 1951: Provided, That this inhibition shall not apply—*

(a) *to not to exceed 25 per centum of all vacancies;*

(b) *to positions filled from within the department;*

(c) *to offices or positions required by law to be filled by appointment of the President by and with the advice and consent of the Senate;*

(d) *to positions the personnel of which are engaged in health and safety, law enforcement, operation and maintenance, soil and moisture, and forestry activities in the field, exclusive of administrative personnel not directly connected with the operation of any such specific activity;*

(e) *to seasonal and casual workers:*

*Provided further, That with the exception of the agencies and functions listed in (b) through (e) above, not more than 90 per centum of the amounts shown in the Budget estimates for personal services shall be available for such purpose: Provided further, That when the total number of personnel subject to this section has been reduced to 90 per centum of the total provided for in the Budget estimates for 1952, this section may cease to apply.*

And the Senate agree to the same.

The committee of conference report in disagreement amendments numbered 3, 4, 5, 8, 10½, 14, 24, 40, 53, 57, 61, 62, 63, 72, 75, 83, 108, 124, and 129.

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## STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the further conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 3790) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1952, 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:

### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

#### ENFORCEMENT OF CONNALLY HOT OIL ACT

Amendment No. 1—*Expenses*: Appropriates \$158,670 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$174,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 2: Provides that not to exceed \$137,970 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

#### SOUTHEASTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

Amendments Nos. 3, 4, and 5—*Construction*: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 6—*Operation and maintenance*: Appropriates \$200,000, instead of \$275,000 as proposed by the House and \$125,000 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 7—*Administrative provisions*: Authorizes the purchase of four automobiles, instead of five as proposed by the House and three as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 8—*Continuing fund*: Reported in disagreement.

#### CONSTRUCTION, SOUTHWESTERN POWER ADMINISTRATION

Amendment No. 9: Appropriates \$3,375,000 as proposed by the House, instead of \$2,564,400 as proposed by the Senate. This action provides within the total amount appropriated the sum of \$500,000 for miscellaneous construction, \$250,000 for the purchase of electric power and energy and for leasing of transmission facilities of others, and \$810,600 for continuation of construction of the facilities designated as comprising the western Missouri project.

With respect to the western Missouri project, it is expected that a determined effort will be made by the Secretary of the Interior to negotiate with the private utilities to obtain a contract that will make unnecessary the use of this appropriation for such project and that no new obligation will be incurred under authority of this appropriation for such project unless the Secretary of the Interior determines, after such negotiations, that additional facilities of such project are required to be constructed by the Government for the integration of Federal projects or for service to a Federal establishment or preferred customer.

Amendment No. 10: Provides that not to exceed \$586,800 of the construction appropriation shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 10½: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 11: Strikes out the limitation upon the use of funds for construction of the western Missouri project, as proposed by the Senate.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE, SOUTHWESTERN POWER  
ADMINISTRATION

Amendment No. 12: Appropriates \$1,255,712 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,275,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 13: Provides that not to exceed \$900,712 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

TRANSFER OF CERTAIN FACILITIES, DENISON DAM PROJECT

Amendment No. 14: Reported in disagreement.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS, SOUTHWESTERN POWER  
ADMINISTRATION

Amendment No. 15: Authorizes the purchase of 8 automobiles as proposed by the Senate; instead of 15 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 16: Strikes out unnecessary language.

COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Amendment No. 17—*Salaries and expenses*: Appropriates \$20,000 as proposed by the House, instead of \$14,530 as proposed by the Senate.

BONNEVILLE POWER ADMINISTRATION

CONSTRUCTION

Amendment No. 18: Appropriates \$67,500,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$62,000,000 as proposed by the House. The conferees have agreed to defer action on the La Grande-Baker line owing to incomplete information indicating its immediate need. It is suggested that the Department make a further study and resubmit the authorization when more complete information is available.

Amendment No. 19: Provides that not to exceed \$8,387,470 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate, with the modification agreed to by the conferees that force account personal services shall not be included within this limitation.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Amendment No. 20: Appropriates \$5,368,439 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$5,250,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 21: Provides that not to exceed \$3,983,862 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISION

Amendment No. 22: Strikes out unnecessary language.

## BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Amendment No. 23—*Management of lands and resources*: Appropriates \$7,722,605, deletes earmarking of funds for soil and moisture conservation, and provides that not to exceed \$4,864,096 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate; instead of making an appropriation of \$6,900,000 without a limitation on personal services, as proposed by the House. This action ratifies the Senate approval of \$1,200,000 for soil and moisture conservation, even though it will not be earmarked in the bill.

Amendment No. 24—*Construction*: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 25: Deletes the proposal of the Senate to amend the basic law relating to the distribution of receipts from sale of timber from the revested Oregon and California grant lands.

Amendment No. 26—*Administrative provisions*: Authorizes the purchase of 29 automobiles, instead of 32 as proposed by the House and 25 as proposed by the Senate.

## BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

Amendment No. 27—*Salaries and expenses*: Deletes the paragraph making one appropriation of \$65,000,000 for all of the activities of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, as proposed by the Senate.

## HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE SERVICES

Amendment No. 28: Inserts a heading.

Amendment No. 29: Deletes an unnecessary heading.

Amendment No. 30: Appropriates \$41,824,750, instead of \$43,600,000 as proposed by the House and \$41,324,750 as proposed by the Senate. The amount approved for health, education, and welfare services includes \$400,000 to continue public assistance contributions to Indians in Arizona, and an additional \$100,000 for placement services, making a total of \$600,000 for placement services.

Amendment No. 31: Provides that not to exceed \$23,699,661 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate. In approving this limitation it is the intention of the conferees that it not be applied against the budgeted amounts for personal services of medical personnel, school teachers, and others essential to the hospital, disease preventative, and curative services and the educational assistance programs.

## RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

Amendment No. 32: Inserts a heading.

Amendment No. 33: Strikes out an unnecessary heading.

Amendment No. 34: Appropriates \$10,921,360 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$11,400,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 35: Provides that not to exceed \$6,843,485 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## CONSTRUCTION

- Amendment No. 36: Inserts a heading.  
 Amendment No. 37: Strikes out an unnecessary heading.  
 Amendment No. 38: Appropriates \$10,000,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$12,000,000 as proposed by the House.  
 Amendment No. 39: Provides that not to exceed \$2,500,000 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.  
 Amendment No. 40: Reported in disagreement.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

- Amendment No. 41: Inserts a heading.  
 Amendment No. 42: Strikes out an unnecessary heading.  
 Amendment No. 43: Appropriates \$3,300,747 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$3,600,000 as proposed by the House.  
 Amendment No. 44: Provides that not to exceed \$2,693,281 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## REVOLVING FUND FOR LOANS

- Amendment No. 45: Inserts a heading.  
 Amendment No. 46: Strikes out an unnecessary heading.

## PAYMENT TO CHOCTAW AND CHICKASAW NATIONS OF INDIANS, OKLAHOMA

- Amendment No. 47: Inserts a heading.  
 Amendment No. 48: Strikes out an unnecessary heading.  
 Amendment No. 49: Appropriates \$22,655 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$25,000 as proposed by the House.  
 Amendment No. 50: Provides that not to exceed \$21,105 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

- Amendment No. 51: Authorizes the purchase of 160 automobiles, instead of 191 as proposed by the House and 125 as proposed by the Senate.

## TRIBAL FUNDS

- Amendment No. 52: Makes a grammatical change.  
 Amendment No. 53: Reported in disagreement.

## BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

## GENERAL INVESTIGATIONS

- Amendment No. 54: Appropriates \$4,500,000, instead of \$4,000,000 as proposed by the House and \$4,600,000 as proposed by the Senate. This action ratifies the action of the Senate in approving \$100,000 for investigations of the Collbran project, Colorado.  
 Amendment No. 55: Provides that not to exceed \$4,234,553 shall be available for personal services, instead of \$3,163,396 as proposed by the Senate.



Amendment No. 56: Provides that \$3,810,000 shall be derived from the reclamation fund, instead of \$3,500,000 as proposed by the House and \$3,903,500 as proposed by the Senate.

CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION

Amendment No. 57: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 58: Appropriates \$202,767,725, instead of \$197,000,000 as proposed by the House and \$208,535,450 as proposed by the Senate. The allotment of the appropriation to the projects covered by the budget estimates is left to the administrative determination of the Secretary of the Interior with the understanding that funds will not be allocated in excess of the respective sums indicated in column 4 of the project breakdown appearing at pages 15 and 16 of Senate Report No. 499, and that there will be no allocation of current year or prior appropriations for any project item not heretofore appropriated for or included in the fiscal 1952 program presented to Congress or for any project item eliminated by the action of the House, the Senate, or both, upon the budget estimates, with the following exceptions: The managers on the part of the both Houses agree that of the 1952 appropriation \$191,000 is to be available for operation and maintenance of the All-American Canal, as provided for in the Senate report; that \$500,000 is to be available for the initiation of construction of a single circuit 230-kilovolt transmission line, for other than customer service, from Folsom Dam power plant to interconnect at the nearest feasible point with the east side Shasta-Tracy transmission line; that the Secretary should make available from unobligated balances of prior appropriations approximately \$1,463,000 for emergency work on the Middle Rio Grande project, New Mexico; and that the proposed allocation of an additional \$185,000 to the Rapid Valley unit, South Dakota, is not approved.

It is to be understood that this action by the conferees expressly denies any appropriation for the following transmission facilities:

CENTRAL VALLEY PROJECT, CALIFORNIA

	<i>Amount of 1952 estimate</i>
Keswick-Tracy via Elverta 115-kilovolt line-----	\$1, 400, 000
Port Chicago-Mare Island 115-kilovolt line and 2 substations-----	300, 000
Tracy-Patterson-Naval Supply 69-kilovolt line and 2 substations---	450, 000
CVP-BPA interconnection and substation, 230-kilovolt, including \$400,000 contained in S. Doc. 39-----	2, 100, 000
Tracy-Livermore-Ames Laboratory line and substation-----	700, 000
Tracy-Contra Costa-Clayton-Ygnacio 69-kilovolt line and 2 substa- tions-----	201, 170
Keswick-Shasta Dam area PUD 115-kilovolt line and substation---	105, 308
Elverta-Sacramento switchyard-----	150, 000
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Total 1952 estimate disallowed-----	5, 406, 478

COLORADO-BIG THOMPSON PROJECT, COLORADO

The \$100,000 included in the 1952 budget estimates for the Estes-Leyner 115-kilovolt transmission line has been disallowed, but for the Estes power plant-Pole Hill power plant 115-kilovolt line \$100,000 has been approved for the 1952 program.

## MINIDOKA PROJECT, AMERICAN FALLS POWER DIVISION, IDAHO

	<i>Amount of 1952 estimate</i>
American Falls power plant.....	\$1, 067, 000
American Falls switchyard.....	133, 000
Transmission line (American Falls-Minidoka Dam).....	100, 000
Total 1952 estimate disallowed.....	1, 300, 000

## TRANSMISSION DIVISION, MISSOURI RIVER BASIN

	<i>Amount of 1952 estimate</i>
Canyon Ferry-Great Falls 115-kilovolt line and substation.....	\$753, 450
Canyon Ferry-Three Forks-Anaconda 115-kilovolt lines and sub- stations.....	703, 000
Miles City-Yellowtail 115-kilovolt lines and substations.....	85, 000
Yellowtail-Billings 115-kilovolt lines and substations.....	810, 000
Sioux City-Omaha line.....	207, 463
Omaha substation.....	70, 242
Sioux City-Storm Lake line.....	118, 428
Storm Lake-Denison-Holland-Omaha line.....	30, 624
Sioux City-Sibley line.....	467, 643
Additional reduction.....	500, 490
Total 1952 estimate disallowed.....	3, 746, 340

The managers on the part of both Houses strongly reaffirm the language contained in the House committee report accompanying H. R. 3790 with reference to prohibiting the proposed interconnection of the Central Valley power system and the Bonneville power system. Reports have been received that work on the proposed intertie has continued despite the categorical denial of funds in the reports issued by the Appropriations Committees of both the House and the Senate this year and approved by both Houses of Congress, and a similar categorical injunction last year approved by both Houses of Congress denying the use of funds for this purpose.

The conferees hereby request the Secretary of the Interior to submit immediately a full and complete report including disciplinary action taken by him in this case.

Amendment No. 59: Provides that not to exceed \$38,104,672 shall be available for personal services, instead of \$29,160,408 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 60: Provides that \$28,972,650 shall be derived from the reclamation fund as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$29,202,200 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 61: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 62: Reported in disagreement.

Amendment No. 63: Reported in disagreement.

## OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

Amendment No. 64: Appropriates \$15,977,594 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$15,094,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 65: Strikes out unnecessary words.

Amendment No. 66: Provides that \$12,476,494 shall be derived from the reclamation fund as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$12,592,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 67: Strikes out unnecessary words.

Amendment No. 68: Provides that not to exceed \$10,698,514 shall be available for personal services, instead of \$10,331,434 as proposed by the Senate.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Amendment No. 69: Appropriates \$5,478,203 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$5,500,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 70: Provides that not to exceed \$4,696,178 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## EMERGENCY FUND

Amendment No. 71: Appropriates \$400,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$500,000 as proposed by the House.

## TRANSFER OF FACILITIES, FORT PECK PROJECT, MONTANA

Amendment No. 72: Reported in disagreement.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS

Amendment No. 73: Authorizes not to exceed \$50,000 for consultant services as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$30,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 74: Increases to \$100 per day the amount that can be paid for consultant services as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$50 per day as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 75: Reported in disagreement.

Amendments Nos. 76 and 77: Strike out limitations inserted by the House, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendments Nos. 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, and 83—*Coachella distribution system*: Authorize expenditures of not to exceed \$2,783,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of not to exceed \$1,684,000 as proposed by the House, for completion of construction of the Coachella division of the All-American Canal system; make the expenditure of such funds mandatory as proposed by the Senate, instead of permissive as proposed by the House; and instead of requiring a definite repayment arrangement in advance of expenditure as proposed by the House, adopt the proposal of the Senate that such expenditure shall be repayable unless it shall be judicially determined by a court of competent jurisdiction that the irrigation district is not liable therefor. Amendment No. 83 is reported in disagreement.

## GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Amendment No. 84: Appropriates \$21,300,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$21,900,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 85: Provides that not to exceed \$13,455,000 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## BUREAU OF MINES

## CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

Amendment No. 86: Appropriates \$16,858,603 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$17,950,000 as proposed by the House. The conferees have approved \$356,000 for control of fires in inactive coal deposits, such sum to be absorbed from the total appropriation

approved for the conservation and development of mineral resources. The entire amount of the budget estimate for engineering and other research on the development and production of petroleum and natural gas has been approved by the conferees. No reduction is to be made in the sums to be available for personal services with respect to the two afore-mentioned activities: \$91,775 is to be available for personal services at the Laramie Station and \$545,572 is to be available for personal services at the Bartlettville Station.

Amendment No. 87: Provides that not to exceed \$10,446,575 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

#### CONSTRUCTION

Amendment No. 88: Appropriates \$1,587,412 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,250,000 as proposed by the House. This action includes approval of \$350,000 for completion of the pilot plant started during World War II at Laramie, Wyo., for research by the Bureau of Mines on the production of alumina from low-grade ores. The ores to be experimented with are different from bauxite ores found in other areas of the country. In approving this appropriation it is the intent of the conferees that, even though the experimental operations will not be financed from this appropriation, no research shall be conducted at this station on processes or methods, whether patented or not, unless all royalty and other valuable rights to developments or discoveries from such research accrue exclusively to the Government.

Amendment No. 89: Provides that not to exceed \$113,287 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

#### GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Amendment No. 90: Appropriates \$1,176,841 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,290,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 91: Provides that not to exceed \$1,018,434 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

#### NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

##### MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION

Amendment No. 92: Provides that not to exceed \$6,584,342 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

##### MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION OF PHYSICAL FACILITIES

Amendment No. 93: Appropriates \$7,369,790 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$7,300,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 94: Provides that not to exceed \$4,193,747 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

#### CONSTRUCTION

Amendment No. 95: Appropriates \$11,370,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$11,975,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 96: Provides that not to exceed \$945,000 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Amendment No. 97: Appropriates \$1,171,774 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,284,500 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 98: Provides that not to exceed \$1,014,538 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

## MANAGEMENT OF RESOURCES

Amendment No. 99: Appropriates \$6,678,196, instead of \$6,870,000 as proposed by the House and \$6,606,558 as proposed by the Senate. This action restores the amount of \$263,442 contained in the budget estimate for river basin studies except that the entire sum appropriated is to be subject to the reduction in funds to be available for personal services.

Amendment No. 100: Provides that not to exceed \$4,259,363 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## INVESTIGATIONS OF RESOURCES

Amendment No. 101: Appropriates \$3,858,986 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$3,875,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 102: Provides that not to exceed \$2,487,629 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 103: Strikes out the proposal of the Senate to prevent the use of this appropriation for investigations, surveys, and similar work in foreign countries.

## CONSTRUCTION

Amendment No. 104: Appropriates \$733,742 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$750,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 105: Provides that not to exceed \$146,324 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Amendment No. 106: Appropriates \$806,631 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$882,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 107: Provides that not to exceed \$678,319 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

## OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

Amendment No. 108—*Administration of Territories*: Reported in disagreement.

## ALASKA PUBLIC WORKS

Amendment No. 109: Appropriates \$7,000,000 as proposed by the House, instead of \$8,500,000 as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 110: Provides that not to exceed \$463,000 shall be available for administrative expenses as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$500,000 for this purpose as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 111: Provides that not to exceed \$333,000 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS, ALASKA

Amendment No. 112: Provides that not to exceed \$2,493,000 shall be available for personal services, as provided by the Senate.

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF ROADS, ALASKA

Amendment No. 113: Appropriates \$2,900,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$2,600,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 114. Provides that not to exceed \$1,935,840 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROVISIONS (ALASKA ROAD COMMISSION)

Amendment No. 115: Provides that not to exceed 20 percent of the construction appropriation be available for force account work as proposed by the Senate, instead of not to exceed 25 percent as proposed by the House.

VIRGIN ISLANDS PUBLIC WORKS

Amendment No. 116: Appropriates \$992,970 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,000,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 117: Provides that not to exceed \$63,270 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 118: Inserts a proviso that no part of the appropriation shall be used for waterfront development work on St. Thomas and provides that the amount included in the 1952 budget estimates for such work be made available for school and hospital facilities, as proposed by the Senate.

ADMINISTRATION, DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Amendment No. 119: *Salaries and expenses, Office of the Secretary:* Appropriates \$2,154,911 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$2,000,000 as proposed by the House.

Amendment No. 120: Provides that not to exceed \$1,890,798 shall be available for personal services, as proposed by the Senate.

RESCISSION OF UNUSED CONTRACT AUTHORITY

Amendment No. 121: Strikes out the word "unused" and in lieu thereof inserts the word "unobligated", as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 122: Changes the effective date of the rescission from June 30, 1951, as proposed by the House, to June 30, 1952, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 123: Adopts the Senate proposal to strike out the words "except public works in the Virgin Islands".

## TRANSFERS OF PROPERTY—OFFICE OF TERRITORIES

Amendment No. 124: Reported in disagreement.

## VIRGIN ISLANDS CORPORATION

Amendment No. 125: Appropriates \$2,595,000 as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$1,800,000 as proposed by the House.

## GENERAL PROVISIONS

## EXPENDITURES FOR INFORMATIONAL AND PROPAGANDA PURPOSES

Amendment No. 126: Strikes out the proposal of the House for limiting the use of funds for propaganda purposes, and adopts the proposal of the Senate to impose limitations upon expenditures for such purposes; but modifies the Senate proposal by adding at the end thereof a provision that the limitation shall not apply to the publication of reports and maps resulting from authorized scientific and engineering investigations and surveys or to photography incident to the compilation and reproduction of maps and reports or to photocopying of permanent records for preservation.

## LIMITATION ON EMPLOYMENT OF CHAUFFEURS

Amendment No. 127: Adopts the amendment of the Senate limiting the employment of chauffeurs of Government-owned cars, but restricts its operation to the District of Columbia and excepts the automobile assigned to the Secretary and that assigned to the Under Secretary.

## EMPLOYEES ENGAGED IN PERSONNEL WORK

Amendment No. 128: Adopts the amendment of the Senate limiting the number of persons to be engaged in personnel work, but changes the proposed ratio of 1 such employee to 115 employees to 1 such employee to 110 employees.

## ANTISTRIKE PROVISION

Amendment No. 129: Reported in disagreement.

## EXPENDITURES DURING FINAL QUARTER OF FISCAL YEAR

Amendment No. 130: Strikes out the proposal of the Senate to limit the expenditures for certain purposes during the last quarter of the fiscal year to not to exceed the average quarterly amount of such expenditures during the preceding three quarters of the fiscal year, except where the Director of the Bureau of the Budget authorizes otherwise. It is the intention of the conferees that excessive last-quarter purchases be prevented so that accumulated last-quarter balances revert to the Treasury.

## LIMITATION ON FILLING VACANCIES

Amendment No. 131: Strikes out the House provision limiting the filling of vacancies and the Senate proposal enumerating reductions already made in the various paragraphs throughout the bill, and inserts a modified proposal for limiting the filling of vacancies. Section (d) of the modified proposal enumerates several categories of essential employment which are exempted from the inhibition on filling vacancies. In order to obviate questions as to the scope of such exempt categories it is intended that the following sums be exempted with respect to each:

Health and safety	\$3, 092, 862
Law enforcement	630, 835
Operation and maintenance	50, 270, 408
Soil and moisture	2, 323, 266
Forestry	1, 976, 379
Total	58, 293, 750

It is intended that the exemptions not include supervisory, clerical, and related types of personnel, such as "white collar" administrative personnel, not directly connected with the operation of any such specific field activity.

It is also intended that all savings effected pursuant to the modified restriction recommended with respect to filling vacancies are not to be expended for other purposes but that any such sums are to be impounded and returned to the Treasury.

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