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INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1939

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Mr. GLASS, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 8837]

The Committee on Appropriations, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 8837) making appropriations for the Executive Office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, and for other purposes, report the same to the Senate with various amendments and present herewith information relative to the changes made.

Amount of bill as passed House	\$1, 410, 628, 515
Amount of increase by Senate (net)	1, 440, 950
Amount of bill as reported to Senate	1, 412, 069, 465
Amount of the appropriations, 1938	1, 454, 590, 233
Amount of the regular estimates, 1939	1, 414, 210, 535
The bill as reported to the Senate:	
Under the estimates for 1939	2, 141, 070
Less than the appropriations for 1938	42, 520, 768

The changes in the amounts of the House bill recommended by the committee are as follows:

INCREASE

TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY

To carry out the provisions of the "Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933"-----	\$2, 763, 000
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It is recommended by the committee that the following language be inserted in the bill:

and for construction of a dam at or near Gilbertsville, Kentucky.

Total increase-----	<u>2, 763, 000</u>
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DECREASE

CENTRAL STATISTICAL BOARD

Salaries and expenses-----	75, 000
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It is recommended by the committee that the following new proviso be inserted in the bill:

Provided, That no other money appropriated in this or any other Act shall be available for the Central Statistical Board after the passage of this act.

CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

Personal services and other expenses-----	142, 500
Printing and binding-----	7, 500

Total, Civil Service Commission-----	<u>150, 000</u>
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EMPLOYEES' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

Salaries and expenses-----	23, 550
Printing and binding-----	500

Total, Compensation Commission-----	<u>24, 050</u>
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INTERSTATE COMMERCE COMMISSION

Motor transport regulation-----	\$500, 000
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The language "for purchase (not to exceed \$2,000) of evidence of violation of said act" is amended to read as follows: *The securing of information and evidence of violations of said Act not to exceed \$2,000.*

NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS

Scientific research investigations, personal services, and expenses-----	<u>100, 000</u>
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DECREASE—Continued

NATIONAL ARCHIVES

Salaries and expenses-----	\$75,000
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NATIONAL LABOR RELATIONS BOARD

Salaries and expenses-----	345,000
Printing and binding-----	40,000

Total National Labor Relations Board-----	385,000
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RURAL ELECTRIFICATION ADMINISTRATION

Printing and Binding-----	13,000
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HOME OWNERS' LOAN CORPORATION

The committee recommend that the funds of the Home Owners' Loan Corporation be reduced from \$28,000,000 as proposed by the House to \$25,000,000.

RECONSTRUCTION FINANCE CORPORATION

The committee recommends that the following restriction be inserted in the bill:

Notwithstanding the provisions of section 4 hereof.

RESTRICTIONS ON THE BILL

CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS

The following provision is recommended by the Committee:

* * * and not to exceed \$200,000 may be expended for salaries and expenses of the Office of the Director.

SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD

It is recommended that the following proviso in the law for 1938 be included in the act for 1939:

Provided further, That none of the funds herein appropriated under the heading "Social Security Board" shall be used to pay the salary of any expert or attorney receiving compensation of \$5,000 or more per annum unless and until such expert or attorney shall be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate.

DECREASE—Continued

ELIMINATION OF ITEMS OF APPROPRIATION BY THE PRESIDENT

It is recommended by the committee that the following paragraph be stricken from the bill:

SEC. 2. The President is authorized to eliminate or reduce by Executive order, in whole or in part, any appropriation or appropriations made by this Act, or any Act or joint resolution, whenever, after investigation, he shall find and declare that such action will aid in balancing the Budget or in reducing the public debt, and that the public interest will be served thereby: *Provided*, That whenever the President issues an Executive order under the provisions of this section, such Executive order shall be submitted to the Congress while in session and shall not become effective until after the expiration of sixty calendar days after such transmission, unless the Congress shall by law provide for an earlier effective date of such Executive order: *Provided further*, That any appropriations or parts thereof eliminated under the authority of this section shall be impounded and returned to the Treasury, and that the same action shall be taken with respect to any amounts by which any appropriations or parts thereof may be reduced under the authority of this section: *Provided further*, That this section shall not apply to appropriations made for the Veterans' Administration.

Total decrease -----	\$1, 322, 050
Net increase -----	1, 440, 950
Amount of bill as reported to Senate -----	1, 412, 069, 465

