MAKING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1984

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

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 3959]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3959) "making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, 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 14, 17, 22, 32, 46, 47, 58, 59, 63, 64, and 66.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 3, 8, 9, 10, 21, 24, 25, 26, 28, 29, 33, 34, 35, 38, 40, 43, 50, 53, 56, and 57, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 41:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 41, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

Restore the matter stricken by said amendment amended to read as follows:

For an additional amount for pre-kindergarten programs, $1,600,000.

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 sum named by said amendment insert $6,000,000; and the Senate agree to the same.
The committee of conference report in disagreement amendments numbered 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16, 18, 19, 20, 23, 27, 30, 31, 36, 37, 39, 42, 44, 45, 48, 49, 52, 54, 55, 60, 61, 62, 65, and 67.

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Managers on the Part of the Senate.
The managers on the part of the House and the Senate at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 3959) making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, and for other purposes, submit the following joint statement to the House and the Senate in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the managers and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

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TITLE I

CHAPTER I

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY OR HANDICAPPED FUND

Amendment No. 1: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate limiting the interest rate on Section 202 projects to 9.25 percent.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Amendment No. 2: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate appropriating $600,000 to the Council on Environmental Quality and Office of Environmental Quality for two contract studies related to water resources.

The conferees are aware of the broad responsibility and technical expertise of the U.S. Geological Survey, the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Army Corps of Engineers in matters related to water resources and water quality. The Council is directed to consult with and rely on these agencies for technical guidance in developing the study requirements and monitoring the progress of the contracts. The conferees expect these contracts to be competitively awarded to university-based organizations and to be completed by September 30, 1984.

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Amendment No. 3: Inserts heading as proposed by the Senate.
SALARIES AND EXPENSES

Amendment No. 4: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate increasing the limitation on the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s reception and representation allowance for fiscal year 1984 from $500 to $2,000.

STATE AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE

Amendment No. 5: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which effectively sets aside the fiscal year 1984 authorization limitation of $54,000,000 for contributions to States under section 205 of the Federal Civil Defense Act and specifies that $55,000,000 of the funds already appropriated for state and local assistance in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act of 1984 shall be available for such purposes.

EMERGENCY FOOD DISTRIBUTION AND SHELTER PROGRAM

Amendment No. 6: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum of $40,000,000 named in two instances in said amendment, insert in both instances: $30,000,000

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES

Amendment No. 7: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate inserting language appropriating $20,000,000 for construction of facilities for partial funding of two shuttle projects and permitting previously appropriated fiscal year 1984 funds to be used to contract with Thiokol to amortize the casting pit covers over a 12-year period, at a total cost of not more than $23,000,000.

The conferees further agree that NASA transfer $3,450,000 from the research and development appropriation to the construction of facilities account for the design and preparation of a Kennedy Space Center site for subsequent construction of a solid rocket booster assembly and refurbishment facility.

VETERANS’ ADMINISTRATION

COMPENSATION AND PENSIONS

Amendment No. 8: Deletes language proposed by the House and stricken by the Senate appropriating $66,000,000 for compensation and pensions for fiscal year 1983.
READJUSTMENT BENEFITS

Amendment No. 9: Deletes language proposed by the House and stricken by the Senate appropriating $40,000,000 for readjustment benefits for fiscal year 1983.

MEDICAL AND PROSTHETIC RESEARCH

Amendment No. 10: Appropriates $53,974,000 for medical and prosthetic research as proposed by the Senate, instead of $57,356,000 as proposed by the House.

VETERANS JOB TRAINING

Amendment No. 11: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

For an additional amount for payment of expenses as authorized by the Emergency Veterans' Job Training Act of 1983 (Public Law 98-77), $75,000,000, to remain available until September 30, 1986.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The conferees agree to provide an additional $75,000,000 for the veterans' job training program in fiscal year 1984. This amount, together with the $75,000,000 included in the Further Continuing Appropriations Joint Resolution, provides the $150,000,000 authorized and requested for this program in fiscal year 1984.

The conferees are concerned that the Veterans' Administration administers this program to ensure compliance with the basic law. In that connection, it is directed that the VA verify the type of employment and training experienced by the recipient in order to ensure such compliance. Also, the conferees direct that the VA collect sufficient data for an evaluation study funded from the general operating expense appropriation. For example, data on recipient length of unemployment should be requested on the application form and should be computerized with other benefit data in connection with this and other benefit programs.

GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES

Amendment No. 12: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

Of the funds appropriated under this heading in the Department of Housing and Urban Development-Independent Agencies Appropriation Act, 1984 (Public Law 98-45), $1,000,000 shall be available for an evaluation of the emergency veterans' job training program.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

Subsequent to action by both houses on the 1984 Supplemental Appropriations Bill, the Committees on Appropriations became aware of $13,779,000 in savings in the general operating expenses
account. These savings accrued owing to a limitation on the in-
crease in the standard level user charge in fiscal year 1984. There-
fore, the conferees agree that administrative expenses associated 
with the veterans' job training program can be provided from 
within existing resources. The conferees further agree that an eval-
uation of the program, as outlined in Senate Report 98-275, can 
also be funded from within available resources.

CHAPTER II—LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

Senate

Amendment No. 13: Reported in technical disagreement. Inasmuch as this amendment relates solely to the Senate and in accord 
with long practice, under which each body determines its own 
housekeeping requirements and the other body concurs without in-
tervention, the managers on the part of the House will move to 
recede and concur in the Senate amendment.

RAILROAD ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES BOARD

Amendment No. 14: Appropriates $50,000, subject to the enact-
ment of authorizing legislation, for salaries and expenses as pro-
posed by the House.

CHAPTER III

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION

Amendment No. 15: Reported in technical disagreement. The 
managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede 
and concur in the amendment of the Senate appropriating 
$1,500,000 for the construction of a new headquarters for the oper-
ation of the Valley Division of the Yuma Reclamation Project.

Central Arizona Project.—Within funds provided in the fiscal 
year 1984 construction program for the Central Arizona Project 
(Public Law 98-50), $50,000 is for an evaluation of available water 
supplies in the Salt-Verde River Basin which could be developed 
for conservation purposes. The preliminary evaluation should be 
completed and submitted to the Committees for review by April 1, 
1984.

Arbuckle Projects, Okla.—The Conference Committee directs the 
Bureau of Reclamation to make available within existing funds ap-
proximately $200,000 to complete preconstruction activities neces-
sary for the construction of previously authorized conveyance facili-
ties in connection with the Arbuckle Project, Okla., to provide mu-
nicipal and industrial water to Sulphur, Okla. Such activities will 
include making location studies, environmental studies, collection 
of design data, and beginning preparation of design and specifica-
tions for the pumping plant, pipeline and appurtenant features.

Upper John Day Project, Oreg.—The conferees direct the Bureau 
of Reclamation to use $150,000 of available funds to complete the
Upper John Day project study in 1984. The data necessary for the study has already been collected and analyzed and additional funds would allow for the completion of the planning report and environmental statement.

_Hoover Dam Powerplant Uprating and Facility Improvements._—The Committee directs the Bureau of Reclamation to allocate sufficient funds from the construction program to undertake advanced engineering and design on Hoover Dam Powerplant and other facility improvements. The project has been in operation for more than 40 years and critical safety and equipment requirements have been identified for implementation. This action will allow the Bureau of Reclamation to begin initial engineering activities prior to project authorization.

_Lower Colorado River Flooding._—Controlled flooding conditions along the lower Colorado River, and recent floods in New Mexico and Arizona require a coordinated review by both the Corps of Engineers and the Bureau of Reclamation and a recommendation of measures to prevent or minimize recurring damage. Additionally, the conferees urge the Bureau to comprehensively address the serious groundwater problems in the lower Colorado region within existing authorization.

_Muddy Creek Project, Montana._—The conferees recommend that of the funds appropriated in Public Law 98–50 under General Investigations, $10,000 shall be available for transfer to the State of Montana to continue erosion control studies on the Muddy Creek Project, Montana.

**DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**

**ENERGY SUPPLY, RESEARCH, AND DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES**

Amendment No. 16: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with the amendment of the Senate which appropriates $8,000,000 for “Energy Supply, Research and Development Activities”. Of this amount, $4,000,000 is available for the four atoll health care plan authorized in section 102 of Public Law 96–205. The conferees intend that this funding be consistent with the health care arrangements under Section 177 of the Compact For Free Association. The conferees agree that the Secretary of the Interior should develop a health care plan as required under section 106 of P.L. 96–205 addressing the health care needs of those found to have been exposed to radiation from the nuclear weapons testing program and that these funds are available for implementation of such plan. The provision of these funds does not assume any future commitments for additional funding for this program.

The conferees agree that $3,000,000 is available for construction and operation of a second small community solar energy project on the Island of Molokai, Hawaii, and that $2,000,000 of available funds shall be used for the thermal energy storage program identified in the House Report 98–272 and that it be conducted under the “Energy Storage Systems” activity.

Within the funds provided to the Department of Energy in P.L. 98–50, the managers direct the Department to use up to $500,000 to
complete by June 30, 1984, the environmental studies, planning and design activities on the Lakeview, Oregon, uranium mill tailings site pursuant to Public Law 95-604. The Department is expected to consult and cooperate with appropriate State and local officials in the development and implementation of this remedial action program.

**ATOMIC ENERGY DEFENSE ACTIVITIES**

Amendment No. 17: Appropriates $57,000,000 as proposed by the House, instead of $60,000,000 as proposed by the Senate for the continued construction and development of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, project 77-13-f.

Amendment No. 18: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with the amendment of the Senate which provides authority for the Department of Energy to purchase four additional helicopters.

The conferees direct that the Department of Energy obtain the approval of the Committees on Appropriations prior to the actual purchase of any helicopters under this provision.

Amendment No. 19: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

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

**TERMINATION OF THE USE OF CERTAIN SEEPAGE BASINS**

Of the funds heretofore appropriated for "Atomic Energy Defense Activities", $30,000,000 is to be made available for use by the Secretary of Energy—

1. to terminate, within 24 months after the date of enactment of this Act, the use of seepage basins associated with the fuel fabrication area at the Savannah River Plant, Aiken, South Carolina; and

2. to submit to the appropriate committees of Congress, within 6 months after the date of enactment of this Act, a plan for the protection of groundwater at the Savannah River Plant which shall include—

   A. proposed methods for discontinuing the use of seepage basins associated with the materials processing areas;

   B. provisions for the implementation of other actions appropriate to mitigate any significant adverse effects of on-site or off-site groundwater and of chemical contaminants in seepage basins and adjacent areas, including the removal of such contaminants where necessary; and

   C. provisions for continuing the expanded monitoring program of groundwater impacts involving the appropriate South Carolina agencies in accordance with the statutory responsibilities of such agencies.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.
The Department should prepare a detailed plan for the work to be performed and the expenditure of the funds redirected by this amendment is subject to the prior approval of the Committees on Appropriations and appropriate authorizing committees.

Amendment No. 20: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur with the amendment of the Senate which rescinds $50,000,000 for Project 82-D-109, 155mm artillery fired atomic projectile.

**NUCLEAR WASTE DISPOSAL FUND**

Amendment No. 21: Inserts reference to "Public Law 97-425", as proposed by the Senate, in text of appropriating language.

**APPALACHIAN REGIONAL COMMISSION**

Amendment No. 22: Appropriates $9,400,000 for the ARC development highway program as proposed by the House.

**TENNESSEE VALLEY AUTHORITY**

Amendment No. 23: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken by said amendment, insert the following:

Sec. 1300. No part of the funds appropriated under this Act or any other provisions of law may hereafter be used by the Department of Justice to represent the Tennessee Valley Authority in litigation in which the Authority is a party unless the Department is requested to provide representation in such litigation by the Authority.

The managers on the part of the Senate will offer a motion to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The conferees intend that the Department of Justice should be able to represent the Tennessee Valley Authority in appropriate cases in which the Authority is a party, if the Authority requests the Department to provide representation in such cases.

Amendment No. 24: Changes section number as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 25: Changes section number as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 26: Inserts language proposed by the Senate limiting the experimental program for delivery of water to the Everglades National Park to two years.

Amendment No. 27: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken by said amendment, insert the following:

_The Secretary of the Army is further authorized to acquire such interest in lands currently in agriculture production which are ad-
versely affected by any modification of schedule for water delivery to Everglades National Park under the preceding paragraph. The Secretary shall acquire any interest in land at the fair market value of such interest based on conditions existing after the construction of the project described in the preceding paragraph of this section and before any modification of such delivery schedule. The Secretary is also authorized to construct necessary flood protection measures for protection of homes in the area affected by any modification of such delivery schedule, at an estimated cost of $10,000,000.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The conferees recognize the emergency situation existing in Everglades National Park as a result of excessive rainfalls over the last several years. The delicate ecosystem of the park has been disrupted and, as a result, there has been a dangerous decrease in wading bird populations as well as other animal and plant species. Untimely water releases during nesting seasons have affected such endangered species as the brown pelicans and woodstork. The alligators, once prolific in this area, are now seen in reduced numbers.

The unseasonably wet period and its effects prompted the Everglades National Park to work with the South Florida Water Management District and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to implement a seven-point emergency program for the park. A portion of this plan recommends a revision in the water delivery schedule in order to allow for greater discharges to the park during the wet season, and a reduction in unseasonable, dry season releases. Experts agree that a more natural schedule of water flows across the east Everglades area is the only way to insure ecological integrity of Everglades National Park.

The conferees acknowledge that a change in the water delivery schedule could have an adverse impact on privately owned lands east of the park, and recognize the need to address and resolve this situation and treat fairly private landowners whose properties may be affected as a result of water delivery modifications necessary to protect the Federal park.

The conference agreement provides for a 2-year experimental program of modified water releases to the park and allows the Corps of Engineers to acquire those agricultural lands adversely impacted by the increased experimental releases. Further, the Corps would also be authorized to protect those homes in the area that may be affected by this experimental program.

Amendment No. 28: Changes section number as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 29: Changes section number as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 30: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate relating to the Red River Waterway Project.

Amendment No. 31: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate relating to flood control on the North Branch Chicago River in Niles, Illinois.
Amendment No. 32: Deletes language proposed by the Senate relating to the Eastport Harbor, Maine, project.

Dredge Kennedy.—From within funds available to the Corps of Engineers, not to exceed $2,000,000 shall be used to rehabilitate, restore, and refurbish the Corps of Engineers dredge vessel Kennedy, to transport the vessel to New Orleans, Louisiana, and there to operate, maintain, and display the vessel for the duration of the 1984 Louisiana World Exposition. Such operation, maintenance, and display shall include the preparation and use of audio-visual and other exhibits to inform the public of Corps of Engineers water resources activities.

Hugo Lake, Okla.—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to allocate $200,000 to continue planning of the Hugo Lake, Oklahoma, hydropower study.

Loren Branch and Calloway Branch, Hurst, Texas.—The Corps of Engineers is directed to allocate within available funds $130,000, to Loren Branch, Hurst, Texas, small flood control project and $130,000 to the Calloway Branch, Hurst, Texas, small flood control project.

Chesapeake Bay Model, Maryland.—The conferees note a decision by the Corps of Engineers to close the Chesapeake Bay Model in Maryland. The State of Maryland has offered to fund and conduct a study of the merits of converting the model facility into a multipurpose center for the promotion of the Chesapeake Bay’s natural resources, or for other purposes. In order to allow time for the conduct of the study, the conferees direct that the Model be maintained in a fresh water mode until July 1, 1984, at Federal expense.

Aliceville Lake.—The Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is authorized and directed to design and construct a resource management and visitor center at Aliceville Lake for the purpose of providing a centrally located facility to disseminate information to the public about water resource development. The construction of the center shall be substantially in accordance with plans developed by the Mobile District Engineer at an estimated construction cost of $3,500,000.

Black Rock Channel, New York.—The Conference Committee notes that a serious safety problem exists at the Bird Island Pier which separates the Black Rock Channel from the Niagara River in New York. The pier, which is used by fishermen, is unsafe due to the overtopping of waters from the Black Rock Canal into the Niagara River. The Coast Guard estimates that they perform dozens of rescues a year from the pier. Concerns have intensified after four drownings this past summer. The Corps recommends that an elevated walkway be constructed at the pier. The conferees, therefore, direct that within available funds $1,000,000 be used to complete planning and start construction of this emergency walkway.

Coles Point, Sardis Lake, Miss.—The conferees are aware of a request to the Corps of Engineers from local interests for development of a marina at Coles Point on Sardis Lake, Miss. The Corps is directed to provide assistance to the local entities in developing the necessary agreements that will bring this worthy project to fruition.
Yazoo Basin Reservoirs.—The conferees have been advised that drifts and sand spurs have been accumulating in the channel outlets in the four Yazoo Basin Reservoirs, creating an emergency need for channel cleanout in those locations. The Corps of Engineers is directed to accomplish this work in cooperation with the Soil Conservation Service and take such steps as are necessary to make a permanent resolution to the problem of upstream erosion.

Crows Neck and Plymouth Bluff Environmental Education Centers.—The Chief of Engineers is directed to construct the Crows Neck and Plymouth Bluff Environmental Education Centers in accordance with plans developed and the agreements by the District Engineer.

Platte River and Tributaries, Nebraska.—The conferees are very concerned with the flood problems of Nebraska, particularly along the Platte River and its tributaries. During 1983, the worst flood on record occurred in this region, the volume of flood waters being so large that hydrologists estimate that such a deluge could occur only once in 200 years. Recognizing that this flood potential has threatened this region for many years and continues to do so, therefore, the conferees direct the Corps of Engineers to utilize available funds to prepare a plan of action to address this serious situation. Also the Division Engineer, Missouri River Division, is to include in the statement on the fiscal year 1985 budget a funding schedule and necessary draft legislation to facilitate an expeditious resolution to this flood problem and other water problems in the State.

Revere Beach, Massachusetts.—The conferees have reviewed the beach erosion protection project at Revere Beach and have determined that it is deficient in providing flood damage reduction measures to Revere, Massachusetts, and provides the following direction to the Corps of Engineers. The flood control element is to complement the authorized beach erosion and is the include the following items:

- Restoration of Revere Beach and shoreline flood control measures inclusive of Roughans Point and Point of Pines; and
- Other flood damage reduction measures needed for the backshore area.

The Corps is directed to utilize $1,000,000 of available funds to initiate construction of this vitally needed project. The State initiated, in June 1978, construction of Phase I of the Master Plans Park and Flood Control Embankment, and acquired the additional property needed to complete the embankment. The construction cost of Phase I was $1,100,000. The Revere Beach Reservation was the first such public beach reservation in the United States.

Scottsville, Virginia.—The conferees are very concerned with the flooding problems at Scottsville, Virginia. The community has been devastated by floods on numerous occasions, and the future of this historic town is in serious jeopardy. Therefore the conferees direct the Army Corps of Engineers to provide an adequate level of protection to this community using up to $2,000,000 in available funds as an advance measure under Public Law 99 of the 84th Congress.

Havre-Weir Project, Montana.—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to allocate $150,000 for design of the Havre-Weir Project in Montana.
Pleasant Run Flood Control Project, Ohio.—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to allocate $200,000 for continuation of planning and engineering on the Pleasant Run flood control project in Ohio.

Captiva Island, Florida.—The Conference Committee notes that a serious erosion problem exists on Captiva Island, Florida, that has been exacerbated by storms within the past year. As a result, County Road 867, the only hurricane evacuation route for the northern two-thirds of Captiva Island, is in imminent danger of being undermined unless the nourishment of the Captiva Island shoreline is completed. The Corps of Engineers is therefore directed to investigate the problem of the remaining nourishment of the beach, and to report back to the Congress those findings with an estimate of the cost of such repairs.

Trumbull Lake, Conn.—Within available funds the Corps of Engineers is directed to initiate studies of alternatives to the authorized Trumbull Lake Project in Fairfield County, Conn., including a review of problems and opportunities and formulation and evaluation of flood damage reduction plans. The Corps should also consider other values which may be achieved under alternative plans and consult with local governmental officials in the formulation of the alternatives.

Mamaroneck and Sheldrake Local Protection, N.Y.—The Conference Committee directs the Corps of Engineers to apply, from available funds, an additional $300,000 to accelerate and complete the feasibility study of the Mamaroneck and Sheldrake Rivers flood protection project in 1984 so that a decision regarding funding for continued planning and engineering and project construction can be made at the earliest possible time. In addition, the Chief of Engineers shall include the costs and benefits of local improvements initiated by local interests for such flood protection subsequent to January 1, 1985, which the Chief of Engineers determines are compatible with and constitute an integral part of his recommended plan. In determining the appropriate non-Federal share for such project, the Chief of Engineers shall fully consider the costs incurred by non-Federal interests in carrying out such local improvements.

Homochitto and Buffalo River Basin, Miss. (MR&T).—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to use $650,000 to continue the study of flood control, bank stabilization, sedimentation, and related activities along the Homochitto and Buffalo Rivers, St. Catherine and Coles Creeks, Bayou Pierre, and other major tributaries draining into the Mississippi River between Bayou Pierre and the Buffalo River, Miss.

Fox River, Wis.—In action on the 1984 Energy and Water appropriation bill, the decision was made to convert the operation of the navigation locks on the Fox River in Wisconsin to caretaker status. The Committee has been informed, however, that local interests currently are negotiating with the Corps of Engineers in an effort to take over lock operations. In an effort to provide additional time for the orderly transfer of operations to local interests, the Corps of Engineers is directed to allocate $900,000 from available funds for continued operation of the navigation locks on the Fox River.

The Conference Committee believes that, in light of past project utilization, lock operation should not be extended beyond the end of fiscal year 1984.
Minto-Brown Island Park, Oreg.—The Conference Committee directs the Corps of Engineers to allocate, from available funds, $1,000,000 to undertake measures which will prevent further erosion to and protect the Federal investment in the Minto-Brown Island Park in Oregon.

Sowashee Creek, Miss.—The Conference Committee has been advised of the continuing serious flood problems along the Sowashee Creek in Meridian, Miss. The Corps was authorized, under section 171 of the 1976 Water Resources Development Act, to undertake the phase I design memorandum stage of advanced engineering and design along the lower 10.1 miles of Sowashee Creek. Flood problems in the upper reaches and adjacent areas are to be reduced by upstream watershed structures authorized for installation by the Soil Conservation Service in cooperation with the Sowashee Creek Drainage District and in coordination with the Corps downstream work. Because of the urgent need to proceed with construction work, the Conference Committee directs the Corps to take all necessary steps to accelerate and expedite the phase I report so as to enable Congress to consider this project in the next session.

Grays Harbor, Wash.—The conferees are concerned over the continued delays in the processing of the Chief of Engineers’ report for the proposed Grays Harbor, Washington project, and directs the Chief to expeditiously process his report so that the Congress can consider this project in the next session.

Homer Spit, Alaska.—The Conference Committee directs the Corps of Engineers to undertake a study on a permanent solution of serious erosion conditions at Homer Spit, Alaska. Since the 1964 Good Friday earthquake, the spit has been susceptible to major erosion during the spring and fall through a combination of high tides, storms, and shifting currents. The study should be initiated so data on wave action and current can be collected during the spring of 1984.

Barnegat Inlet, N.J.—The Congress authorized a phase 1 general design memorandum on the Barnegat Inlet, N.J., project in the 1976 Water Resources Development Act. In submitting the phase 1 report on this project, the Chief of Engineers determined that the existing authorized project should be modified due to design deficiencies and that the proposed modifications are basically corrective measures required to have the project function as initially intended and, therefore, can be implemented within the purview of the original project authority. In light of this determination, the conferees urge the Chief of Engineers to proceed with the modifications as quickly as possible in accordance with his findings and expressed intentions to correct these deficiencies, using available resources.

Presque Isle, Pa.—The Conference Committee is disturbed that the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works and the Corps of Engineers has continually delayed ongoing engineering and design activities on the Presque Isle project and has indicated that it does not intend to follow the conferees’ intent to fund the design for a permanent solution.

The Conference Committee has consistently supported this project and the need for a permanent solution to the beach erosion problem in both the 1983 supplemental and 1984 Energy and Water Development Appropriations Acts.
Therefore, the conferees direct the Corps of Engineers to forward the revised project report which is due on November 30, 1983, along with its recommendations and funding schedule for the permanent solution.

*Rochester, Minn., Flood Control Project.*—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to use $200,000 to continue planning and engineering on the Rochester, Minn., local protection project.

*South Yadkin River, N.C.*—An amount of $300,000 was appropriated for fiscal year 1984 within the annual "General Investigation" account for the Little Pee Dee and Pee Dee Rivers basin study. Within available funds, the conferees direct the Corps of Engineers to proceed with the study to determine what measures are necessary and justified to provide flood control, water supply, hydroelectric power, and allied purposes in North Carolina, with particular reference to multipurpose reservoirs on the South Yadkin River, as authorized by a resolution adopted September 23, 1982.

*Devils Lake Basin, N. Dak.*—Within available funds, the Corps of Engineers is directed to begin a feasibility study of the Devils Lake basin, N. Dak., under the authority of the Red River of the North authorization. The conferees recognize the relationship of the Devils Lake basin and the Pick Sloan plan and, therefore, direct the Corps to consult and coordinate its efforts with the Bureau of Reclamation.

*Lock Haven, Pa.*—Within available funds, the conferees direct the Corps of Engineers to continue planning and engineering on the Lock Haven, Pennsylvania, flood control project.

**CHAPTER IV**

**DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**

Amendment No. 33: Adds heading "Fish and Wildlife and Parks" as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 34: Appropriates $500,000 for resource management as proposed by the Senate for preparation of environmental impact statements on oil and gas leasing applications on National Wildlife Refuges outside of Alaska.

Amendment No. 35: Adds heading "National Park Service" as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 36: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed by said amendment, insert the following:

*Operation of the National Park System*  

*Funds appropriated to the National Park Service under this head in Public Law 97–394 shall be available to reimburse the Estate of Bess W. Truman for operation expenses, including maintenance and protection, of the Harry S Truman National Historic Site incurred during the period October 18, 1982 through December 27, 1982.*

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.
Mrs. Truman bequested her home to the United States and it was accepted as part of the Harry S Truman NHS by the Secretary of Interior. This language permits the Park Service within available funds to compensate the estate for security costs from the time of Mrs. Truman’s death to the time of the acceptance of the property by the Service. No funds are provided for operation of a tourist information facility in the Great Hall of the Herbert Clark Hoover Building.

Amendment No. 37: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which increases the construction development ceiling for Perry’s Victory Memorial. Funds for rehabilitating the Memorial were provided in the Fiscal Year 1983 appropriation.

Amendment No. 38: Appropriates $25,500,000 as proposed by the Senate for land acquisition and state assistance. This provides $25,000,000 for a condemnation award at Congaree Swamp National Monument and $500,000 for Saratoga NHP.

U.S. FOREST SERVICE

The managers expect the Forest Service to use up to $300,000 of the funds provided for recreation composites in Public Law 98–146 to acquire land in the Clear Creek Composite of the Bankhead National Forest.

OFFICE OF SURFACE MINING RECLAMATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Amendment No. 39: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed by said amendment, insert the following:

Provided further, That any funds remaining available following completion of these acquisition and relocation activities may be made available to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to undertake other approved reclamation projects pursuant to section 405 of the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977: Provided further, That funds made available under this head to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania shall be accounted against the total Federal and State share funding which is eventually allocated to the Commonwealth

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The managers have deleted bill language which made the funds available to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania conditional on the Commonwealth accepting title to all properties acquired by the Office of Surface Mining in and around the Borough of Centralia. The managers agree that the funds should not be made available to the Commonwealth until the Commonwealth accepts title to 28 properties acquired by OSM under memorandum of understanding dated March 30, 1981. In addition, the managers strongly urge OSM and the Commonwealth to reach agreement on the transfer of 6 other properties from OSM to the Commonwealth at the earliest possible date.
Amendment No. 40: Deletes incorrect account title and inserts correct account title, as proposed by the Senate.

Amendment No. 41: Appropriates $1,600,000 for BIA pre-kindergarten programs, instead of $1,700,000 as proposed by the House and nothing as proposed by the Senate.

The amount provided, $1,600,000, is for the last year of funding in BIA for existing pre-kindergarten programs. The managers note that of 88,000 Indian children of pre-school age, only 1,000 are enrolled in programs supported by the BIA pre-kindergarten program. Under the Indian and Migrant set-aside in the Headstart program, $3,110,000 is available in fiscal year 1984 for new starts. The managers direct the Bureau of Indian Affairs to work closely with those tribes funded by the BIA program to develop applications for the Headstart program in the future.

Amendment No. 42: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which provides that funds appropriated in Public Law 97-257 for transfer to the State of Alaska shall remain available until expended and may be used for reconstruction of day schools.

Amendment No. 43: Provides no funds for the four atoll health care plan in this chapter. The funds are provided to the Department of Energy in Chapter III of this bill.

Amendment No. 44: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which provides that funds available for the Department of the Interior and the U.S. Forest Service for contracting for privately-owned aircraft shall be used to contract only for aircraft certified as airworthy by the Federal Aviation Administration, unless such aircraft are not reasonably available.

Amendment No. 45: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter stricken by said amendment, insert the following:

Subsection (d) of section 109 of the Act entitled “An Act making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1984, and for other purposes” (Public Law 98-146), is amended by striking out “The limitation with regard to this subsection on the use of funds shall not apply if any State-owned tide or submerged lands within the area described in this subsection are now or hereafter subject to sale or lease for the extraction of oil or gas from such State lands; and” and insert in lieu thereof “The limitation with regard to this subsection on the use of funds shall not apply to submerged lands within 30 nautical miles off any Florida land mass located south of 25 degrees north latitude.

The managers on the part of the House will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

At the time H.R. 3959 was considered in the House, action was not yet complete on H.R. 3363—the Department of Interior and Related Agencies Appropriation Act for fiscal year 1984. That Act had a one year moratorium on OCS leasing in Lease Sale #79 in the Eastern Gulf of Mexico below 26° N. Latitude, 50 miles from the
land between 26° N. Latitude and 28° N. Latitude, and all tracts in
the OCS area bounded on the west by 85° W. Longitude and on the
south by 28° N. Latitude. The conferees on that bill had agreed to
restrict leasing on three environmentally sensitive areas in the
Eastern Gulf of Mexico—much less than had been agreed to by the
House. After the House completed action on the conference report
and the amendments in disagreement thereto on H.R. 3363, the
Senate further amended the amendment relating to the Florida
lease sale. The House subsequently agreed to that further amend-
ment which follows:

(d) All submerged lands within 30-nautical miles of the
baseline from which the territorial sea is measured: Pro-
vided, That the western boundary of the area is a line ex-

tending south from the line dividing blocks 404 and 405 in
Official Protraction Diagram NH 16-9, Apalachicola to a
point 30-nautical miles from the baseline from which the
territorial sea is measured. In addition, from the boundary
between blocks 404 and 405 as described in the preceeding
sentence, westerly to a line extending north and south di-

viding blocks 38 and 1 in Official Protraction Diagram NH
16-9, all submerged lands within 20-nautical miles of the
baseline from which the territorial sea is measured. The
limitation with regard to this subsection on the use of
funds shall not apply if any State-owned tide or submerged
lands within the area described in this subsection are now
or are hereafter subject to sale or lease for the extraction
of oil or gas from such State lands.

That language established a one year leasing moratorium in a 30
mile buffer area from Apalachicola south to northern Monroe
County and in a 20 mile buffer from Apalachicola north and west
to Panama City.

Before the subsequent Senate and House actions on H.R. 3363,
the House considered this bill—H.R. 3959 and adopted an amend-
ment which banned leasing in lease sale 79 between 28° N. Latiti-
dude and 26° N. Latitude 40 miles from the 10 mile Federal-State
boundary. That provision was struck by Senate amendment No. 45.

After all action was completed on H.R. 3363, it was found that
the State had leased the outer three miles of the State submerged
lands. That action, in effect, vitiated the buffer zones established in
section 109(d).

The conferees on H.R. 3959 agreed to an amendment which de-
leted the last sentence of section 109(d) and reestablished a one
year leasing moratorium as described above.

The conferees have further adopted language which stipulates
that this moratorium will not apply to any area located in lease
sale number 79 which lies 30 miles north of any land mass located
south of 25° N. Latitude.

Amendment No. 46: Deletes language proposed by the Senate,
which prohibited the use of funds to process oil and gas lease appli-
cations in units of the National Wildlife Refuge System unless spe-
cifically authorized.

This provision has already been enacted into law as part of H.J.
Res. 413, making further continuing appropriations for fiscal year
1984.
DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY
FOSSIL ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Amendment No. 47: Appropriates $1,000,000 for Fossil Energy Research and Development as proposed by the House for the gasification pilot plant in Homer City, Pennsylvania. This amount supplements the $5,000,000 already made available in fiscal year 1984. The Department of Energy should develop and transmit to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees a plan to best use the pilot plant within the available funds. The plan should be presented to the Committees by March 1, 1984 and should not be a mere continuation of tests previously run in the bi-gas mode. The managers agree that none of the funds made available in this Act or in Public Law 98-146 for the Homer City facility should be used for any continued testing in the bi-gas mode.

NATIONAL GALLERY OF ART

Amendment No. 48: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which provides $250,000 for special exhibitions in the National Gallery of Art.

CHAPTER V

UNITED STATES RAILWAY ASSOCIATION
ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Amendment No. 49: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate disapproving the deferral of $2,050,000 for the United States Railway Association.

CHAPTER VI

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Amendment No. 50: Inserts language proposed by the Senate which identifies Chapter VI of the bill as "Department of Agriculture".

FEDERAL GRAIN INSPECTION SERVICE

Amendment No. 51: Appropriates $6,000,000 for inspection and weighing activities instead of $8,000,000 as proposed by the Senate. The House bill did not include any additional funds for the Federal Grain Inspection Service.

FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICE

Amendment No. 52: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which includes language regarding alleged overpayments to certain institutions participating in the child care food program.
AGRICULTURAL STABILIZATION AND CONSERVATION SERVICE

Amendment No. 53: Appropriates $7,000,000 for the emergency conservation program as proposed by the Senate.

DONATION OF CERTAIN PROPERTY

Amendment No. 54: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate which permits the Secretary of Agriculture to donate the Bamboo Research Station in Savannah, Georgia, to the University of Georgia.

CHAPTER VII

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

HIGHER EDUCATION

Amendment No. 55: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will move to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

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

CHAPTER VII

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

HIGHER EDUCATION

For an additional amount for part B of title IX of the Higher Education Act of 1965, $500,000.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

With regard to amendment number 66, the conferees note the lack of specific authorization to appropriate funds to the Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Program in Public Affairs, and are therefore reluctant to include such funding in this supplemental appropriation bill. However, the conferees have agreed to include funding for an existing program authorized for purposes similar to those conducted at the Ervin Program in Public Affairs. It is the intent of the conferees that a major portion of these funds should be used to support the Sam J. Ervin Jr. Program in Public Affairs.

The conference agreement deletes funding included in the Senate-passed bill for construction, renovation and related costs of an urban research park facility to be established jointly by Cheyney State College and Lincoln University in Philadelphia. The conferees take note of the following letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET,

Hon. ARLEN SPECTER,
U.S. Senate,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR ARLEN: Please forgive me for not responding earlier to your letter of October 24 concerning the Philadelphia project in-
volving Provident Mutual and the two historically black colleges. As I'm sure you know by now, an approach has been worked out using currently available Education and HUD funds that will allow the project to go forward. No supplemental appropriation of additional 1984 funds will now be necessary.

I'm sure you're as pleased as I that we've been able to work this out to everyone's satisfaction without needing additional funds. Thank you for your assistance and concern.

Sincerely,

DAVID A. STOCKMAN,
Director.

TITLE II

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Amendment No. 56: Technical correction.
Amendment No. 57: Changes section number.
Amendment No. 58: Deletes language proposed by the Senate concerning the Rural Development Loan Fund. The conferees understand the additional obligations proposed by the Senate from the Rural Development Loan Fund may be premature at this time. By December 31, 1983, the Department of Health and Human Services must obligate $10,000,000 from this fund; before agreeing to a second round of loans, it may be prudent to wait until information is available on the loans which will be made this December.
Amendment No. 59: Deletes a general provision proposed by the Senate prohibiting the use of funds by the Federal Communications Commission to repeal, amend, or otherwise modify the Syndication Rule, the Financial Interest Rule and the Prime Time Access Rule, which would have applied only to the three major networks. The House bill contained no provision on this matter.

The House of Representatives has already passed a bill which prohibits any further action by the FCC on the issue of financial interest, syndication rights, and prime-time access. The Managers on the part of the Senate receded on this amendment with the understanding that similar legislation will be considered and acted upon by the Senate prior to sine die adjournment of this session of the Ninety-Eighth Congress, thereby providing for a legislative solution to this issue.

Amendment No. 60: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

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

Sec. 2002. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the terms "meat" and "meat food products" as used in the Prompt Payment Act (Public Law 97-177; 96 Stat. 85) in section 2(a)(2)(B)(i) thereof shall include also edible fresh or frozen poultry meat, perishable poultry meat food products, fresh eggs and perishable egg products; and the Secretary of Agriculture, out of funds available to the Commodity Credit Corporation, upon proper proof of loss, shall pay outstanding claims for losses resulting from the 1980 embargo on sales
of agricultural commodities to the Soviet Union sustained by businesses dealing in pork and frozen hog carcasses as well as edible fresh or frozen poultry meat, perishable poultry meat food products, fresh eggs and perishable egg products.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The Senate amendment added bill language amending the Prompt Payment Act (P.L. 97–177) to expand the definition of the terms "meat" and "meat food products" to include "... edible fresh or frozen poultry meat, poultry meat food products, fresh eggs and perishable egg products." The conference agreement includes this language, amended to specify "perishable" poultry meat food products, and provides for payment of claims, upon proper proof of losses as a result of the embargo at the time of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan. Such determination shall be made by the Secretary.

Amendment No. 61: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

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

Sec. 2003. (a) Section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to save daylight and to provide standard time for the United States," approved March 19, 1918 (15 U.S.C. 263) is amended—

(1) by striking out "Yukon" and inserting in lieu thereof "Alaska";
(2) by striking out "Alaska-Hawaii" and inserting in lieu thereof "Hawaii-Aleutian"; and
(3) by striking out "Bering" and inserting in lieu thereof "Samoa".

(b)(1) Any reference to Yukon standard time in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be held and considered to be a reference to Alaska standard time.

(2) Any reference to Alaska-Hawaii standard time in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be held and considered to be a reference to Hawaii-Aleutian standard time.

(3) Any reference to Bering standard time in any law, regulation, map, document, record, or other paper of the United States shall be held and considered to be a reference to Samoa standard time.

(c) The Regional Rail Reorganization Act of 1973 (45 U.S.C. 701 et seq.) is amended—

(1) by striking from Section 201(e) of such Act "1983" and inserting in lieu thereof "1985"; and
(2) by striking from Section 308(c)(1) of such Act "1983" and inserting in lieu thereof "1985".

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

The conferees urge the Federal Railroad Administration to give priority consideration to the redeemable preference share project applications of the Erie Lackawanna and the New York Susquehanna and Western Railroads to the extent that such projects can be funded from surpluses derived from existing projects for which
preference share funds have been reserved. The conferees direct the Federal Railroad Administration to report to the Appropriations Committees of the House and Senate 15 days prior to the reservation and/or obligation of funds for these projects, explaining from which project funds are to be reprogrammed and the reasons for such action.

The conferees are aware of problems involving the proposed abandonment of service on the Maitland Industrial Track in Mifflin County, Pennsylvania. The conferees have been informed that the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania will be providing $105,000 in state funds, and seeks $245,000 in federal funds for a total project cost of $350,000 for the rehabilitation of this line. The Commonwealth is expected to apply for approval to reprogram $245,000 in local rail service funds from its prior years' formula funds for this purpose, and the conferees urge that expeditious and favorable consideration be given to such request by the Federal Railroad Administration.

Amendment No. 62: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the section number named in said amendment, insert: 2004

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

This general provision is a sense of the Senate provision commending the United States Armed Forces for their actions in Grenada.

Amendment No. 63: Deletes a general provision proposed by the Senate which would have authorized and appropriated $1,000,000 for a Commission on Drug Interdiction and Enforcement to review current laws and procedures concerning drug interdiction and to make recommendations to the President, the Director of National and International Drug Operations and Policy and the Congress on a coordinated interagency Federal strategy on narcotics control. In addition, the amendment would have authorized $500,000 for fiscal year 1985 and such sums as may be necessary for four succeeding fiscal years for an Office of National and International Drug Operations and Policy. The Office would have been headed by a Director who would have served as the principal coordinator of United States operations and policy on illegal drugs and who would have had the authority to direct each department and agency with responsibility for drug control in carrying out policies established by the Director on this matter.

Amendment No. 64: Deletes language proposed by the Senate concerning national programs under the Job Training Partnership Act. The Senate bill language would have forced the Labor Department to carry out conference report directives accompanying the regular fiscal year 1984 Labor-HHS-Education Appropriations Act (P.L. 98-139, H. Report No. 98-422). Since it now appears the Department will substantially comply with the conference report directives pertaining to special national programs, bill language is unnecessary.

Amendment No. 65: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will move to recede and concur
in the Senate amendment with an amendment which changes the section number to 2005. The Senate amendment amends the Railroad Unemployment Insurance Act to provide for 10 additional weeks of benefits for rail workers with less than 10 years of seniority. These workers are presently eligible for only 26 weeks of benefits. This provision would be in effect until June 30, 1984. No additional appropriations are required; sufficient funds remain from the $125 million appropriated for this purpose in the “Jobs Bill” (P.L. 98-8). The extended benefit provision for these workers that was included in the Jobs Bill expired on June 30, 1983.

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

Amendment No. 66: Deletes language proposed by the Senate appropriating $500,000 for financial assistance to the Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Program in Public Affairs. The conferees have addressed this matter as part of amendment number 55.

Amendment No. 67: Reported in technical disagreement. The managers on the part of the House will offer a motion to recede and concur in the amendment of the Senate with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the first section number named in said amendment, insert: 2006

The managers on the part of the Senate will move to concur in the amendment of the House to the amendment of the Senate.

**Comparison Total—With Comparisons**

The total net budget (obligational) authority for the fiscal year 1984 recommended by the Committee of Conference, with comparisons to the fiscal year 1984 budget estimates, and the House and Senate bills for 1984 follow:
Budget estimate of new (obligational) authority

House bill........................................................................ 1 $340,056,000
Senate bill (net).................................................................. 2 $390,828,600
Conference agreement (net).................................................. 2 $302,213,600
Conference agreement compared with:
  Budget estimates of new (obligational) budget authority...... -37,842,400
  House bill........................................................................ -142,527,200
  Senate bill........................................................................ -88,615,000

1 Includes $8,200,000 of budget estimates not considered by the House.
2 Includes rescission of $50,000,000.

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