

## INDEPENDENT OFFICES APPROPRIATION BILL, 1928

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

### CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 15959]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 15959) "making appropriations for the Executive office, and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, 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 4 and 7.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 8, 16, 23, and 24, 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:

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

*Appropriations available to the Federal Board for Vocational Education for salaries and expenses shall be available for expenses of attendance at meetings of educational associations and other organizations which in the discretion of the board are necessary for the efficient discharge of its responsibilities.*

And the Senate agree to the same.

The committee of conference have not agreed on amendments numbered 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22.

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STATEMENT OF THE MANAGERS ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

The managers on the part of the House at the conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 15959) making appropriations for the Executive office and sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, and offices for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, and for other purposes, submit the following written statement explaining the effect of the action agreed on by the conference committee and submitted in the accompanying conference report:

No. 1: Strikes out certain language relating to the act authorizing the construction of the Arlington Memorial Bridge, as proposed by the Senate.

No. 4: Strikes out the language proposed by the Senate increasing the compensation of the Chief of the Bureau of Efficiency.

No. 6: Restores the language stricken out by the Senate, with an amendment authorizing the Federal Board for Vocational Education annually to make expenditures for expenses of attendance at meetings of educational associations, etc.

No. 7: Restores the language stricken out by the Senate relating to stenographic services for the Interstate Commerce Commission.

No. 8: Appropriates \$512,000, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$510,000, as proposed by the House, for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics.

No. 16: Inserts the language proposed by the Senate making an appropriation available for expenditure by the Merchant Fleet Corporation without the prior approval of the President of the United States.

Nos. 23 and 24: Correct a typographical error in the bill.

The committee of conference have not agreed upon the following amendments of the Senate:

Nos. 2, 9, and 11, relating to purchases where the aggregate amount does not exceed \$50 for the Board of Mediation, the Office of Public Buildings and Parks, and the Smithsonian Institution, respectively.

No. 3. Relating to appropriations for personal and stenographic reporting services for the Board of Tax Appeals.

No. 5. Relating to the detail of employees of the Civil Service Commission in case of an emergency.

No. 10. Relating to the appropriation for printing and binding for the Smithsonian Institution.

No. 12. Relating to language proposed by the Senate in connection with appropriations for the United States Geographic Board.

Nos. 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, relating to the change in name of the United States Shipping Board Emergency Fleet Corporation, and limitations upon certain appropriations.

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