## REVISION OF A PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

## COMMUNICATION

FROM

## THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

A REVISION OF A PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, FISCAL YEAR 1952, AMOUNTING TO \$150,000

March 28 (legislative day, March 24), 1952.—Read; referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and ordered to be printed

THE WHITE HOUSE, Washington, March 28, 1952.

The President of the Senate.

Sir: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Congress a revision of a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1952, involving an increase of \$150,000, for the Department of Justice.

The details of this revision, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its submission at this time are set forth in the attached letter from the Director of the Bureau of the Budget, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully yours,

HARRY S. TRUMAN.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,

BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,

Washington 25, D. C., March 27, 1952.

The PRESIDENT,

The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration a revision of a proposed supplemental appropriation for the fiscal year 1952, involving an increase in the amount of \$150,000, for the Department of Justice, as follows:

## DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL PRISON SYSTEM

SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES PRISONERS

Delete the item contained in my letter of February 14, 1952 (p. 20, H. Doc. 348, 82d Cong.), under the above head, and insert the following in lieu thereof:

For an additional amount for "Support of United States prisoners", \$750,000.

This revision of a proposed supplemental is required to meet increased costs of \$75,000 for boarding in non-Federal jails United States prisoners awaiting trial or serving sentences of short duration, and to meet increased costs of \$75,000 for maintenance and operation of jails in the Territory of Alaska. Funds appropriated were based on a total of 1,141,300 jail days, while the supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$600,000, now pending before the Congress, is based on 1,382,275 jail days. This latter total reflected actual experience of the first 6 months of this fiscal year. Current data, however, indicate that the total number of jail days will exceed 1,387,000. In addition, average daily costs per prisoner are exceeding previous estimates, primarily because of higher rates prevailing in recently renewed contracts for boarding prisoners.

I recommend that the foregoing revision of a proposed supplemental

appropriation be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully yours,

F. J. Lawton,
Director of the Bureau of the Budget.

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