

SUNDRY CIVIL APPROPRIATION BILL.

JULY 27, 1914.—Ordered to be printed.

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

CONFERENCE REPORT.

[To accompany H. R. 17041.]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on certain amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 17041) making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, 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 45 and 91.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 138 and 146, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 44:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 44, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

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

The President is authorized from time to time, as the exigencies of the service may require, to rearrange, by consolidation or otherwise, the several customs-collection districts and to discontinue ports of entry by abolishing the same or establishing others in their stead: Provided, That the whole number of customs-collection districts, ports of entry, or either of them, shall at no time be made to exceed those now established and authorized except as the same may hereafter be provided by law: Provided further, That, hereafter, the collector of customs of each customs-collection district shall be officially designated by the number of the district for which he is appointed and not by the name of the port where the headquarters are situated and the President is authorized from time to time to change the location of the headquarters in any customs-collection district as the needs of the service may require: And provided further, That

the President shall, at the beginning of each regular session, submit to Congress a statement of all acts, if any, done hereunder and the reasons therefor.

And the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 92:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 92, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

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

For the administration and improvement of Glacier National Park, Montana, the construction of roads, trails, bridges, and telephone lines and the repair thereof, including the construction of a road together with the necessary bridges and culverts, from the old town of Saint Mary, thence in a general northerly and westerly direction through that part of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation east of lower Saint Mary Lake to a point in or near section thirty-five, township thirty-six north, range fifteen west, on the boundary line between the Glacier National Park and the Blackfeet Indian Reservation, \$75,000. The Secretary of the Interior is hereby authorized to accept patented lands or rights of way over patented lands in the Glacier National Park that may be donated for park purposes (Acts May eleventh, nineteen hundred and ten, volume thirty-six, page three hundred and fifty-four, sections one, two; June twenty-third, nineteen hundred and thirteen, volume thirty-eight, page forty-nine, section seventeen).

And the Senate agree to the same.

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Managers on the part of the House.

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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 certain amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 17041) making appropriations for sundry civil expenses of the Government for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915, and for other purposes, submit the following written statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conference committee and submitted in the accompanying conference report as to each of the said amendments, namely:

On amendments Nos. 44 and 45: Strikes out the provisions, proposed by the Senate, creating the customs-collection districts of Kansas City, Mo., and of Tampa, Fla., and inserts the following general provision with reference to the customs service:

The President is authorized from time to time as the exigencies of the service may require to rearrange, by consolidation or otherwise, the several customs-collection districts and to discontinue ports of entry by abolishing the same or establishing others in their stead: *Provided*, That the whole number of customs-collection districts, ports of entry, or either of them, shall at no time be made to exceed those now established and authorized except as the same may hereafter be provided by law: *Provided further*, That hereafter the collector of customs of each customs-collection district shall be officially designated by the number of the district for which he is appointed and not by the name of the port where the headquarters are situated, and the President is authorized from time to time to change the location of the headquarters in any customs-collection district as the needs of the service may require: *And provided further*, That the President shall, at the beginning of each regular session, submit to Congress a statement of all acts, if any, done hereunder and the reasons therefor.

On amendment No. 91: Strikes out the appropriation of \$237,840, proposed by the Senate, for the Hot Springs Reservation in Arkansas.

On amendment No. 92: Appropriates \$75,000, as proposed by the House, instead of \$100,000, as proposed by the Senate, for Glacier National Park, including the construction of a road from the old town of St. Mary through a part of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation.

On amendment No. 138: Appropriates \$25,000, as proposed by the Senate, for the fish hatchery in Utah.

On amendment No. 146: Inserts the provision, proposed by the Senate, with reference to the Government exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, including authorization for an exhibit of the American National Red Cross.

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