

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE APPROPRIATION  
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Mr. MADDEN, from the committee of conference, submitted the following

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 7220]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 7220) making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, 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 13, 17, 18, 19, 21, 26, 28, 30, 33, 36, and 42.

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendments of the Senate numbered 1, 3, 4, 8, 9, 14, 20, 23, 24, 29, 35, 38, 39, and 43, and agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 2:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 2, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter inserted by said amendment, insert the following: *\$573,000: Provided, That of this sum \$30,000 may be used for the purchase and distribution of blackleg vaccine at cost; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 5:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 5, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert *\$91,115*; and the Senate 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:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$185,450; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 7:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 7, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum named in said amendment, insert \$50,000; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 10:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 10, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$85,602; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 11:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 11, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$3,098,004; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 12:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 12, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$3,687,924; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 15:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 15, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$4,280,606; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 16:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 16, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$6,781,489; and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 22:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 22, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter inserted by said amendment, insert the following: \$231,920; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 25:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 25, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$1,111,305; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 27:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 27, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$2,065,848; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 31:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 31, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$786,150; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 32:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 32, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed insert \$892,490; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 34:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 34, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter inserted by said amendment insert the following: *and for investigation of the economic costs of retail marketing of meat and meat products, \$549,628*; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 37:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 37, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed insert \$2,288,001; and the Senate agree to the same.

## Amendment numbered 40:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 40, and agree to the same with an amendment, as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$4,325,864; and the Senate 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:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert \$800,000; and the Senate 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 said amendment, insert the following: *\$452,540: Provided, That the Secretary of Agriculture may require reasonable bonds from every market agency and dealer under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe, to secure the performance of their obligations, and whenever, after due notice and hearing the Secretary finds any registrant is insolvent or has violated any provision of said Act, he may issue an order suspending such registrant for a reasonable specified period. Such order of suspension shall take effect within not less than five days, unless suspended or modified or set aside by the Secretary of Agriculture or a court of competent jurisdiction; and the Senate agree to the same.*

Amendment numbered 45:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 45, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert *\$6,000,000;* and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 46:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 46, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert *\$4,000,000;* and the Senate agree to the same.

Amendment numbered 47:

That the House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate numbered 47, and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the sum proposed, insert *\$58,575,274;* and the Senate agree to the same.

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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. 7220) making appropriations for the Department of Agriculture for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1925, and for other purposes, submit the following written statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conferees and recommended in the accompanying conference report.

No. 1: Inserts the language proposed by the Senate permitting the purchase of press clippings from the appropriation for miscellaneous expenses.

No. 2: Appropriates \$573,000, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$548,000, as proposed by the House, and provides that of this sum \$30,000 may be used for the purchase and distribution of blackleg vaccine at cost.

Nos. 3 and 4: Correct totals in the bill.

No. 5: Appropriates \$91,115, instead of \$100,000, as proposed by the Senate, and \$84,335, as proposed by the House, for the investigation of diseases of forest and ornamental trees and shrubs.

Nos. 6 and 7: Appropriates \$185,450, instead of \$205,450, as proposed by the Senate, and \$155,450, as proposed by the House, for acclimatization and adaptation investigations of cotton, corn, and other crops, and provides that \$50,000, instead of \$70,000, as proposed by the Senate, and \$20,000 as proposed by the House, may be used for explorations, research, and field experiments relating to rubber-producing plants.

No. 8: Appropriates \$46,300, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$41,940, as proposed by the House, for the investigation and improvement of tobacco production and handling.

No. 9: Appropriates \$139,125, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$134,793, as proposed by the House, for the investigation and improvement of fruits, and methods of fruit growing, harvesting, etc.

No. 10: Appropriates \$85,602 instead of \$93,102 as proposed by the Senate, and \$81,808 as proposed by the House, for horticultural investigations.

Nos. 11 and 12: Correct totals in the bill.

No. 13: Appropriates \$335,824 as proposed by the House, instead of \$351,260 as proposed by the Senate, for investigations of methods for wood distillation and preservative treatment of timber, etc.

No. 14: Appropriates \$187,420, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$137,420, as proposed by the House, for silvicultural and dendrological investigations and experiments.

Nos. 15 and 16: Correct totals in the bill.

No. 17: Appropriates \$120,600, as proposed by the House, instead of \$130,600, as proposed by the Senate, for investigations relating to the application of chemistry to agriculture.

Nos. 18 and 19: Correct totals in the bill.

Nos. 20 and 21: Inserts the language proposed by the Senate for investigations of the alfalfa weevil, and appropriates \$176,400, as proposed by the House, instead of \$186,400, as proposed by the Senate, for investigations of insects affecting cereal and forage crops.

No. 22: Strikes out the language proposed by the Senate, and appropriates \$231,920, instead of \$256,920 as proposed by the Senate and \$206,920 as proposed by the House, for investigations of insects affecting southern field crops.

Nos. 23 and 24: Appropriates \$157,000, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$145,000, as proposed by the House, for investigations of insects affecting truck crops, and inserts the language proposed by the Senate, which includes the investigation of wireworms.

No. 25: Corrects a total in the bill.

No. 26: Strikes out the language proposed by the Senate providing for a scientific investigation of the western pine beetle and associated forest insects.

No. 27: Corrects a total in the bill.

No. 28: Appropriates \$508,880, as proposed by the House, instead of \$652,240, as proposed by the Senate, for investigating the food habits of birds and animals.

No. 29: Appropriates \$28,475, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$26,480, as proposed by the House, for biological investigations of animals and plants.

No. 30: Strikes out the language proposed by the Senate transferring the duties of the Governor of Alaska with respect to wild game and wild birds, to the Secretary of Agriculture.

Nos. 31 and 32: Correct totals in the bill.

No. 33: Appropriates \$275,000 as proposed by the House, instead of \$286,538 as proposed by the Senate, for the investigation and encouragement of improved methods of farm management and farm practice.

No. 34: Appropriates \$549,628, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$524,628, as proposed by the House, and provides for the investigation of the economic costs of retail marketing of meat and meat products, as proposed by the Senate.

No. 35: Provides, as proposed by the Senate, that shipping point and market inspection certificates shall give the class, quality, and/or condition of the commodity.

No. 36: Appropriates \$682,480, as proposed by the House, instead of \$768,480, as proposed by the Senate, for the market news service.

No. 37: Corrects a total in the bill.

No. 38: Appropriates \$550,000, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$500,000, as proposed by the House, for the enforcement of the United States grain standards act.

No. 39: Appropriates \$186,500, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$163,000, as proposed by the House, for the administration of the United States warehouse act.

No. 40: Corrects a total in the bill.

No. 41: Appropriates \$800,000, instead of \$1,000,000, as proposed by the Senate, and \$600,000, as proposed by the House, for the acquisition of additional forest lands.

No. 42: Strikes out the language proposed by the Senate, which provided for the erection of a herdsman's cottage at the Woodward, Okla., field station.

No. 43: Inserts the language proposed by the Senate, which provides an appropriation of \$4,000 for the eradication of the foot-and-mouth disease and other contagious diseases of animals.

No. 44: Appropriates \$452,540, as proposed by the Senate, instead of \$226,770, as proposed by the House, for the enforcement of the packers and stockyards act, and in lieu of the matter stricken out by the Senate provides that the Secretary of Agriculture may require reasonable bonds from registrants to secure the performance of their obligations, and that after due notice and hearing any registrant found insolvent or violating any provision of the act may be suspended for a reasonable definite period, which order of suspension shall take effect within not less than five days, but which may be suspended, modified, or set aside by the Secretary of Agriculture or a court of competent jurisdiction.

Nos. 45 and 46: Appropriates \$6,000,000, instead of \$8,000,000, as proposed by the Senate, and \$4,700,000, as proposed by the House, for carrying out the Federal highway act with respect to forest roads and trails, and makes \$4,000,000, instead of \$2,000,000, as proposed by the Senate, and \$5,300,000 as proposed by the House, available for contractual obligation by the Secretary of Agriculture.

No. 47: Corrects the total of the bill.

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