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[Report No. 177.]

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

DECEMBER 10, 1923.

Mr. PHIPPS introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on the District of Columbia.

FEBRUARY 28, 1924.

Reported by Mr. BALL, with an amendment.

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A BILL

Making an adjustment of certain accounts between the United States and the District of Columbia.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That pursuant to the report of the Joint Select Committee
4 appointed under the provisions of the Act entitled "An Act
5 making appropriations for the government of the District of
6 Columbia and other activities chargeable in whole or in part
7 against the revenues of such District for the fiscal year
8 ending June 30, 1923, and for other purposes," approved
9 June 29, 1922—

10 (a) There shall be credited to the general account of
11 the District of Columbia required under the provisions of the

1 first paragraph of such Act to be kept in the Treasury De-
2 partment the following sums:

3 (1) \$7,574,416.90, representing the balance in the
4 general fund in the Treasury for such District on June 30,
5 1922, and

6 (2) \$665.46, representing an adjustment of certain
7 errors; and

8 (b) There shall be charged to such account the fol-
9 lowing sums:

10 (1) \$2,903,219.93, representing the District's propor-
11 tion of unexpended balances of appropriations on June 30,
12 1922, together with certain obligations and encumbrances
13 accruing after such date,

14 (2) \$191,890.35, representing the District's propor-
15 tion of the annual bonus paid to certain employees of the
16 District,

17 (3) \$41,500, representing the District's proportion of
18 the cost of additional land for the National Zoological Park,
19 and

20 (4) \$317.16, representing the District's proportion of
21 an amount appropriated by special Act of Congress for the
22 relief of Eldred C. Davis.

23 Such credits and charges to the general accounts of
24 the District of Columbia shall be made without the payment
25 of interest thereon by either the United States or the District

1 of Columbia; and the making of such credits and charges
2 shall be held to be in full satisfaction of all claims and de-
3 mands either for or against the United States or the District
4 of Columbia in respect to the items involved therein.

5 The sum of \$4,438,154.92, representing the difference
6 between such credits and charges, is hereby made perma-
7 nently available in such account of the District of Columbia
8 for appropriation by the Congress for such purposes as it
9 may from time to time provide: *Provided, That nothing con-*
10 *tained in this Act shall be construed to deprive the District*
11 *of Columbia, as of and on June 30, 1922, in addition to the*
12 *sum named herein, of credit for the surplus of revenues of*
13 *said District collected and deposited in the Treasury of the*
14 *United States during the fiscal year 1922, over and above all*
15 *appropriations and other charges for that year; or of credit*
16 *for the unexpended balances of District of Columbia appro-*
17 *priations covered into the surplus fund by warrant of the*
18 *Secretary of the Treasury issued on June 30, 1922; or of*
19 *credit for the proportion the District of Columbia may be*
20 *entitled to of miscellaneous receipts paid directly into the*
21 *Treasury during the fiscal year 1922; or of credit for the*
22 *amount erroneously charged against the revenues of the*
23 *District for the fiscal year 1922 on account of appropriations*
24 *made by the third Deficiency Act, fiscal year 1922, approved*
25 *July 1, 1922, as the amount of said appropriations were*

1 charged against the revenues of the District of Columbia
2 for the fiscal year 1923, totaling the sum of \$819,373.83,
3 which is included in the total sum of \$2,903,219.93 mentioned
4 in line 8, page 2 of this bill, and taken into account in arriv-
5 ing at the net balance of \$4,438,154.92, above stated.

6 Provided further, That the Comptroller General of the
7 United States shall ascertain and determine whether the items
8 mentioned in the preceding proviso were improperly taken
9 into account in arriving at the net balance of \$4,438,154.92,
10 and if, and to the extent that, any or all of said items shall
11 be so determined to have been improperly taken into account,
12 the amount thereof shall be added to the said fund of \$4,438,-
13 154.92 and likewise shall be available permanently in the
14 general account of the District of Columbia for appropriation
15 by the Congress for such purposes as it may from time to
16 time provide: And provided further, That the Comptroller
17 General shall submit to the Congress at its next regular
18 session a detailed report of the result of his determination
19 and action as authorized herein.

20 In further connection with this bill, and made a part of
21 this report there is submitted herewith correspondence from
22 the Board of District Commissioners, the auditor for the
23 District, and the Comptroller General of the United States.

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