

SPLIT POLE MAGNETIC SPECTROGRAPH SYSTEM FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH.

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Mr. LONG of Louisiana, from the Committee on Finance, submitted
the following

REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 6666]

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill (H.R. 6666) to provide for the free entry of a 90-centimeter split-pole magnetic spectrograph system with orange-peel internal conversion spectrometer attached for the use of the University of Pittsburgh, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

PURPOSE

The purpose of H.R. 6666 is to allow the University of Pittsburgh to import free of duty a scientific instrument for its own use.

GENERAL STATEMENT

H.R. 6666 would direct the Secretary of the Treasury to admit free of duty a 90-centimeter split-pole magnetic spectrograph system with orange-peel internal conversion spectrometer attached for the use of the University of Pittsburgh.

Your committee is advised that no comparable instrument made in the United States is available. The Department of Commerce has stated with respect to this bill: H.R. 6666 and similar bills ordered favorably reported at the same time (H.R. 6906 and H.R. 8272) as follows:

It is the understanding of this Department that the instruments required by the universities are essentially specialized beta-ray spectroscopic devices used in nuclear energy research. At the time of purchase, instruments having the

required characteristics of high concentration and convertibility essential to devices used in nuclear energy research could not be obtained from domestic sources.

After careful investigation the Department feels that at the time the universities determined their requirements and specifications for the beta-ray spectroscopic devices no instruments of equivalent scientific value were available from domestic sources.

In the circumstances the Committee on Finance, like the Committee on Ways and Means of the House, is of the opinion that this legislation is meritorious and consistent with prior legislation of this nature and unanimously recommends its enactment.

