

**AUTHORIZING THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION TO
APPOINT AND EMPLOY RETIRED OFFICERS WITHOUT
AFFECTING THEIR RETIRED STATUS**

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

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 5626]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H. R. 5626) to authorize the Veterans' Administration to appoint and employ retired officers without affecting their retired status, 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 amendment.

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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. 5626) to authorize the Veterans' Administration to appoint and employ retired officers without affecting their retired status, and for other purposes, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon and recommended in the accompanying conference report.

The Senate amendment added a new section to the bill which provided under certain conditions an increase in the Federal share of old-age-assistance payments under the Social Security Act to the aged, the dependent children, and the blind. The House bill did not deal with the social-security laws but authorized the Veterans' Administration to appoint and employ retired officers of the Army and Navy without affecting their retired status.

The conference believed that, inasmuch as the subject matter of the Senate amendment is being amply considered by the Congress in connection with the House bill (H. R. 7037) to amend the Social Security Act and the Internal Revenue Code, and for other purposes, the amendment should be stricken from this bill.

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