EXEMPTION FROM DUTY FOR RETURNING RESIDENTS

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

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 6791]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the-two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 6791) to continue for 2 years the existing reduction of the exemption from duty enjoyed by returning residents, 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 House recede from its disagreement to the amendment of the Senate to the text of the bill and agree to the same with an amendment as follows:

In lieu of the matter proposed to be inserted by the Senate amendment insert the following:

That (a) paragraph 1798(c)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended

(19 U.S.C., sec. 1201, par. 1798(c)(2)), is amended—
(1) by striking out "July 1, 1963" each place it appears in subdivisions (A) and (B) and inserting in lieu thereof "July 1, 1965"; and

(2) by striking out "\$200 in the case of persons arriving directly or indirectly from the Virgin Islands of the United States," in subdivision (A) and inserting in lieu thereof "\$200 in the case of persons arrving before April 1, 1964, directly or indirectly from the Virgin Islands of the United States,".

(b) Section 2 of the Act entitled "An Act to amend paragraph 1798(c)(2) of the Tariff Act of 1930 to reduce temporarily the exemption from duty enjoyed by returning residents, and for other purposes", approved August 10, 1961 (Public Law 87-132; 75 Stat. 335), is amended by striking out "June 30, 1963" and inserting in lieu thereof "March 31, 1964".

And the Senate agree to the same.

That the Senate recede from its amendment to the title of the bill.

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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. 6791) to continue for 2 years the existing reduction of the exemption from duty enjoyed by returning residents, and for other purposes, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conferees and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

In the case of any person arriving in the United States who is a returning resident thereof, paragraph 1798(c) of the Tariff Act of 1930 permits certain articles to be admitted free of duty if acquired abroad, as an incident of the journey from which he is returning, for his personal or household use.

Under existing law, if such person arrives before July 1, 1963, and otherwise satisfies the requirements of the law, the value of the articles admitted free of duty may not exceed \$100. However, if he arrives directly or indirectly from the Virgin Islands of the United States the \$100 limit does not apply but the value of the articles admitted free of duty may not exceed \$200 (not more than \$100 of which shall have been acquired elsewhere than in the Virgin Islands).

If the person arrives on or after July 1, 1963, the value of the articles admitted free of duty may not exceed \$200 plus (if he satisfies the requirements for the additional exemption) an additional \$300.

The bill as passed by both the House and the Senate extended the termination date of the present duty exemption for returning residents from July 1, 1963, to July 1, 1965. The bill as passed by the House extended the temporary \$200 provision now applicable to the Virgin Islands of the United States to July 1, 1965, and included American Samoa, Wake Island, Midway Islands, Kingman Reef, Johnston Island, and the island of Guam under the provision. The Senate amendment struck out the temporary \$200 provision so that a person arriving from any possession (including the Virgin Islands) of the United States would be limited to the \$100 exemption.

Under the conference agreement, the temporary \$200 provision is to continue to apply only to persons arriving directly or indirectly from the Virgin Islands of the United States before April 1, 1964.

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