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## EXPORT OF ALCOHOL AND OTHER DISTILLED SPIRITS.

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Mr. KERN, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following

### REPORT.

[To accompany S. 3304.]

The Committee on Finance, to which was referred Senate bill 3304, entitled "A bill concerning the export of alcohol and other distilled spirits," respectfully reports that it has had said bill under consideration, and recommends its passage without amendment.

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT,  
*Washington, February 4, 1916.*

Hon. F. M. SIMMONS,  
*Chairman Finance Committee, United States Senate.*

MY DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: I have the honor to return herewith a bill (S. 3304) concerning the exportation of alcohol and other high-proof spirits.

The bill provides that, under regulations to be prescribed, alcohol or other high-proof spirits may be transferred from receiving cisterns at any distillery or from storage tanks in any distillery warehouse to tanks or tank cars for exportation from the United States.

Under existing law (sec. 3330 R. S. and amendatory acts) domestic spirits may be exported only in the distiller's original casks or packages. The shipment of spirits in tank cars, however, would, in my judgment, afford equally good, if not better protection against loss, than if made in original packages, and would doubtless result in a material saving in the way of cooerage, freight charges, etc., as well as reducing the work incidental to the gauging of the spirits.

As these shipments can be properly safeguarded by regulations, I see no objection to the enactment of this bill into law.

Respectfully,

W. G. McADOO, *Secretary.*