

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF DUTY ON PERSONAL AND
HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS BROUGHT INTO UNITED STATES
UNDER GOVERNMENT ORDERS

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

CONFERENCE REPORT

[To accompany H.R. 9881]

The committee of conference on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 9881) to extend for two years the existing provisions of law relating to the free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders, 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 to the text of the bill and from its amendment to the title of the bill.

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AIME J. FORAND,
CECIL R. KING,
N. M. MASON,
JOHN BYRNES,

Managers on the Part of the House.

HARRY F. BYRD,
ROBT. S. KERR,
J. ALLEN FREAR, Jr.,
FRANK CARLSON,
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Managers on the Part of the Senate:

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 amendment of the Senate to the bill (H.R. 9881) to extend for 2 years the existing provisions of law relating to the free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders, submit the following statement in explanation of the effect of the action agreed upon by the conferees and recommended in the accompanying conference report:

The bill as passed by both the House and the Senate provides for a 2-year extension (until July 1, 1962) of the existing provisions of law (the act of June 27, 1942, as amended) relating to the free importation of personal and household effects brought into the United States under Government orders.

The Senate amendment added a new section to the bill. Under this provision, the exemption from duties provided by the act of June 27, 1942, for a person or members of his family would be applied to articles up to but not exceeding in aggregate value \$5,000, and would not be allowed in the case of an assignment of less than 6 months. Under the conference agreement, the Senate recedes.

As a result of the conference action, the bill provides for a 2-year extension of the duty-suspension privilege provided by existing law. It was the understanding and intention of the conferees, however, that during this 2-year extension period the departments and agencies charged with the responsibility of administering and policing this law will so administer it as to safeguard against any possible abuses of the duty-suspension privilege and will, if necessary, issue appropriate regulations to insure stricter administration of the law. It is also the understanding and intention of the conferees that all such departments and agencies will submit information to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Finance, not later than January 15, 1962, with respect to the operation and administration of the law, including a statement of actions taken to improve its administration and recommendations for any statutory changes or limitations which may be necessary in order to effect adequate safeguards against abuses.

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