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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT: S. 675 - Department of Defense
Authorization Act, 1984

Richard Darman has asked for our views by 2:00 p.m. today on the above-referenced enrolled bill. The 94-page bill authorizes Defense Department appropriations of \$187.5 billion, \$10.5 billion short of the Administration request. The overall and specific numbers are agreeable to OMB and Defense, and of course we are in no position to question their judgment on the merits of the budget amounts.

The bill is surprisingly free of objectionable riders. An environmental impact statement on deployment of the MX is required by January 31, 1984. Various limits are placed on chemical weapons development, including a requirement of Presidential certification of need before production. Impact aid to school districts with large numbers of federal dependents is continued (our proposal to end this has caused quite a stir). NATO assignments are limited to 315,600, but this could be overridden upon Presidential certification. OPM objects to a provision liberalizing retirement benefits for Military Appeals Court judges, but does not recommend a veto on this basis.

There are several "report and wait" provisions, e.g., §§ 108, 1202, 1224, but these are acceptable under Chadha. A Board of Actuaries within DOD is established by § 925, with members appointed by the President and removable only for misconduct or failure to perform their duties. One of the many provisions requiring a report to Congress from the Secretary also requires a later report from the President, containing his views on the Secretary's report, § 1105, but this is not expressly nor should we construe it as a simultaneous reporting requirement with respect to the Secretary's report - i.e., the President may review the Secretary's report prior to its submission to Congress. Section 1211 creates a Director of Operational Test and Evaluation in DOD, and under proposed 10 U.S.C. § 136a(c) his reports to congressional committees must be submitted in the same form as submitted to the Secretary. This is an objectionable simultaneous report provision at the lower levels, but the Secretary and the Director can consult

informally prior to actual submission of the Director's report to the Secretary. This provision will not, by any stretch, justify not approving the bill. Under section 1218, the Secretary cannot expand the use of polygraphs in DOD.

All affected agencies either recommend approval, have no objection, or defer to Defense (with the exception of OPM, which noted its concerns). I have reviewed the bill and have no objection to the President signing it.

Attachments

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING *Orig. signed by FFF*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: S. 675 - Department of Defense
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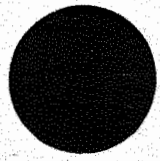
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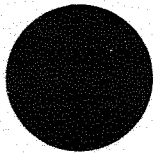
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM



DATE: 9/22/83 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: Monday, 9/26/83

SUBJECT: S. 675 - DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT, 1984

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REMARKS:

Please provide recommendations/comments by Monday, September 26th.

Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 675 - Department of Defense
Authorization Act, 1984

Sponsor - Senator Tower (R) Texas

Last Day for Action

September 28, 1983 - Wednesday

Purpose

(1) Authorizes fiscal year 1984 appropriations of (a) \$115.6 billion for procurement and research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) for the Armed Forces, (b) \$71.8 billion for operation and maintenance of the Armed Forces, and (c) \$169 million for civil defense; (2) prescribes the authorized personnel strengths for active duty and reserve components of the Armed Forces and for civilian personnel of the Department of Defense, and military training student loads; and (3) makes several significant personnel and other policy revisions.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Department of Defense	Approval
Federal Emergency Management Agency	Approval
National Security Council	Approval
Department of State	Approval
Department of Transportation	Approval
Department of Education	Approval
Selective Service System	No objection (Informally)
General Services Administration	No objection
Department of the Treasury	No objection (Informally)
Department of Commerce	No objection (Informally)
Department of the Interior	No objection (Informally)
Small Business Administration	No objection
Central Intelligence Agency	No objection (Informal)
Department of Health and Human Services	No objection (Informal)
Veterans Administration	Defers to Defense
Department of Justice	Defers to Defense
Office of Personnel Management	Cites concerns

Discussion

Authorization Levels

In total, S. 675 authorizes appropriations for fiscal year 1984 of \$187.5 billion for Defense programs, \$10.5 billion below the Administration's request of \$198 billion. This reduction includes \$1.3 billion in anticipation of lower-than-budgeted fuel costs. Specific amounts authorized are shown below in millions of dollars:

	<u>Adm. Request</u>	<u>S. 675</u>	<u>Net Change</u>
Procurement	\$ 94,087.7	\$ 88,259.9	- 5,827.8
RDT & E	29,625.3	27,303.0	- 2,322.3
O & M	74,001.6	71,758.8	- 2,242.8
Civil Defense	<u>253.5</u>	<u>169.0</u>	<u>- 84.5</u>
Total	\$ 197,968.1	\$ 187,490.7	- 10,477.4

In addition, the enrolled bill authorizes personnel strengths for active duty (2,135,900) and reserve (1,035,600) components of the Armed Forces and for civilian personnel of the Department of Defense (1,056,200). The active duty level authorized is 28,800 below the Administration's request, reflecting the conferees' desire that the military services make greater use of the reserve components, which were increased by 9,600 over the level requested. The conferees also placed Defense on notice that beginning in fiscal year 1985, they are prepared to deny further active duty personnel increases unless the military services report actions taken to increase the use of Reserve Forces.

Although S. 675 includes most of the major elements of the Administration's request, Congress made several adjustments to procurement and research and development that resulted in net reductions. Among programs cut are the procurement of the MX missile, AV-8B and F-15 aircraft, two ships (1 oiler and 1 mine countermeasures), and several munitions programs and aircraft modifications programs. Procurement of 155mm nuclear projectiles was terminated altogether. These reductions are offset somewhat by increases in M-1 tank, FFG frigate, F-16 aircraft, and ALCM-B missile procurement.

MX-Missile

S. 675 authorizes procurement of 21 MX-missiles versus 27 requested by the Administration and authorizes development of follow-on technology, the small mobile missile, as recommended by the Scowcroft Commission. The conferees also adopted provisions requiring an environmental impact statement concerning deployment of the MX-missile, which has to be published no later than January 31, 1984. The first 10 missiles are to be operational no later than December 31, 1986.

Binary Chemical Weapons

As requested by the Administration, S. 675 authorizes assembly of binary chemical weapons. As conditions of production, the conferees added requirements that (1) assembly of chemical munitions be prohibited until October 1, 1985; (2) one serviceable unitary artillery shell be rendered useless for each binary chemical munition produced; and (3) the President certify that binary chemical munitions are essential to the national interest before production is initiated.

Impact Aid

As explained in the Department of Education's attached views letter, S. 675 makes several budgetary and substantive changes in the operation of the Impact Aid Program of the Department of Education. It extends and increases the authorization for the program through 1985 and continues payments in fiscal year 1984 to school districts on behalf of students who live on or have parents who work on Federal property ("B" students). In separate legislation, the Administration has proposed eliminating funding for these students because they do not constitute a burden that justifies Federal financial assistance. In its views letter the Department of Education expresses concerns about the impact aid provisions but does not believe they warrant disapproval of S. 675.

Military Pay Raise

S. 675 authorizes a four percent pay raise for uniformed service members, except recruits with less than four months of active duty who would receive no increase. This increase is to be effective April 1, 1984, unless general schedule employees receive a pay increase earlier, in which case military pay would be increased at that earlier time. In comparison, you have recommended a 3.5 percent pay increase for civilian employees effective January 1984.

Limit on NATO Assignments

S. 675 would limit the number of U.S. military personnel assigned to permanent duty ashore in European member nations of NATO to 315,600. This number could be increased to 320,000 if the Secretary of Defense provides certain certification and reports on NATO-related activities. The limitation would exempt personnel assigned to Ground Launch Cruise Missile or the Pershing II Missile programs. The limitation could also be exceeded if the President certifies that overriding national interests so require.

Other Personnel and Management Provisions

S. 675 includes a number of desirable personnel and management provisions which were originally requested in legislation submitted by the Department of Defense. In particular, the enrolled bill would:

- freeze the 1984 rates of the variable housing allowance, the supplemental housing component of military pay, at 1983 rates, and deny the allowance to reservists on active duty for short tours, because they do not incur housing costs;
- establish a new DOD Military Retirement and Disability Fund to permit accounting and budgeting for military retired pay on an actuarial basis and permit a more realistic treatment of the actual costs of supporting the active military forces;
- extend the military service obligation from not less than six years to no more than eight years to enhance retention in the individual ready reserve;
- authorize the payment of enlistment and reenlistment bonuses to members of the individual ready reserve for fiscal years 1984 and 1985 to aid in the recruitment and retention of personnel with combat or combat-support skills; and
- authorize four new Assistant Secretaries of Defense, to be appointed by the President with Senate confirmation. Two positions are specifically designated--one would be for Reserve Affairs, not requested by the Administration, and the other for Command, Control, Communications and Intelligence, requested by the Administration. The other two are not designated but were requested by the Administration. In addition, two new military department Assistant Secretaries were authorized, as requested.

Finally, the enrolled bill liberalizes retirement benefits for judges of the U.S. Court of Military Appeals who currently receive the same civil service retirement (CSR) benefits as Federal employees generally. S. 675 would allow a judge on that Court to retire at any age after completing the term of service for which he was appointed, regardless of whether it is the normal 15-year term or a shorter period during which he completed a predecessor's term. In its enrolled bill views letter, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) objects to this provision because: "Retirement benefits are not available to any individuals under the CSR System, including Members of Congress, unless they have at least 5 years of civilian service, since 5 years is the point at which benefits first vest under the

structure of the System. It is essential that a staff retirement system, which is designed to reward Federal civilian employees for continued service to the Government, should require a minimum period of civilian service to be performed before any employee may be eligible for benefits....It is inappropriate to exempt judges of the U.S. Court of Military Appeals from the 5-year service requirement." Furthermore, OPM objects to allowing military judges to retire after completing a full 15-year term, regardless of their age, thereby giving military judges more generous retirement eligibility provisions than Members of Congress who must meet certain age requirements. However, given the overall importance of S. 675, OPM does not recommend a veto of the bill on the basis of its objections.

Contract Authority

The enrolled bill also contains a number of provisions affecting Defense procurement and contracting authorities, including:

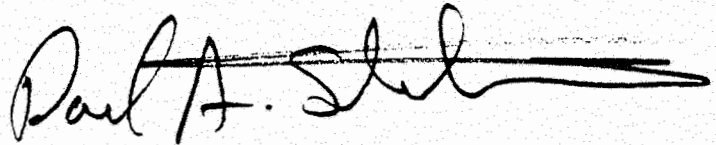
- Certain limitations and earmarkings are imposed on RDT&E funds for the Army, Navy, Air Force, and Defense agencies.
- A lease or service contract of a vessel that has major components not built in the United States is prohibited, if the lease is in excess of five years or involves a substantial termination liability.
- The prohibition on contracting out for services of firefighters and security guards by the Department of Defense is extended for two years until 1986. This is an objectionable provision which the Administration has sought to eliminate because it prevents the Department from selecting the most cost-effective way to obtain needed services.
- The test program that allows a limited price differential to be paid for relieving economic dislocations on contracts entered into by the Defense Logistics Agency is continued for one year, an approach supported by the Administration. This program is an exception to the "Maybank Amendment," which prohibits the use of appropriated funds by the Department of Defense to pay price differentials for the purpose of paying higher prices on contracts in areas of high unemployment.

The conferees denied the Administration's request for authority to execute multi-year procurement contracts for certain equipment, including CH-47D helicopter modification.

Conclusion

S. 675 contains a number of additional provisions that were proposed by the Administration, as well as other policy revisions initiated by the Congress. These are cited by the Department of Defense in its attached views letter. While several of the congressional initiatives are objectionable, including numerous, detailed reporting requirements, given the overall importance of the authorizations and other requested authorities in the enrolled bill, we join the Department of Defense in recommending that you sign S. 675.

S. 675 passed the House by voice vote and the Senate by a vote of 83 to 15. The Conference Report subsequently cleared the House by a vote of 266 to 152 and 83 to 8 in the Senate.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul A. Schulz", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Director

Enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

September 23, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT: Enrolled Resolution H.J. Res. 218
National Sewing Week

Richard Darman has asked for comments by close of business today on the above-referenced enrolled resolution, which authorizes and requests the President to designate this month as "National Sewing Month." In light of the fact that we are already well into the month, we previously cleared the proclamation requested by this resolution. OMB recommends approval. I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from OMB Assistant Director for Legislative Reference, James M. Frey, and the resolution itself, and have no objection.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE

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COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

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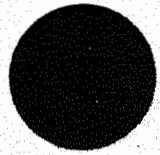
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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/21/83 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: 9/23/83

SUBJECT: ENROLLED RESOLUTION H.J. RES. 218 - NATIONAL SEWING MONTH

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REMARKS:

May we have your comments on the attached Bill by close of business September 23. Thank you.

RESPONSE:

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Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

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September 21, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution H.J. Res. 218 - National Sewing
Month
Sponsor - Rep. Boner (D) Tennessee and 106 others

Last Day for Action

Recommend early action, since the designated month is nearly over.

Purpose

Designates the month of September 1983 as "National Sewing Month".

Agency Recommendation

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Discussion

H.J. Res. 218 designates September 1983 as "National Sewing Month", and requests that the President issue a proclamation calling upon the American people to observe the month with appropriate ceremonies and activities. The resolution was passed by voice vote in both Houses.

The preamble to the resolution states that the home sewing industry accounts for over \$3.5 billion in sales annually, and that numerous careers in fashion, retail merchandising, textile design and related fields were begun in the home and in elementary school home economics sewing classes. Approximately fifty million people sew at home and an estimated forty million people sew at least part of their wardrobe.

A proposed proclamation for your consideration has already been forwarded to the White House.

James M. Frey
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Ninety-eighth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the third day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three*

Joint Resolution

To designate the month of September of 1983 as "National Sewing Month".

Whereas the sewing industry annually honors the approximately fifty million people who sew at home and the approximately forty million people who sew at least part of their wardrobe;

Whereas the home sewing industry generates over \$3,500,000,000 annually for the economy of the United States; and

Whereas innumerable careers in fashion, retail merchandizing, design, patternmaking, and textiles have had their geneses in the home and in elementary school home economics classes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the month of September of 1983 is designated "National Sewing Month". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe that month with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Thomas S. Owens
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Strom Thurmond

~~Vice President of the United States and~~
President of the Senate *pro Tempore*

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

September 24, 1983

The President has signed S. 675 which (1) authorizes fiscal year 1984 appropriations of (a) \$115.6 billion for procurement and research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) for the Armed Forces, (B) \$71.8 billion for operation and maintenance of the Armed Forces, and (c) \$169 million for civil defense; (2) prescribes the authorized personnel strengths for active duty and reserve components of the Armed Forces and for civilian personnel of the Department of Defense, and military training student loads; and (3) makes several significant personnel and other policy revisions.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

September 27, 1983

The President today signed the following legislation:

H.J. Res. 132 which designates the week of September 25 through October 1, 1983 as "National Adult Day Care Center Week".

H.J. Res. 218 which designates the month of September 1983 as "National Sewing Month".

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS *JGR*

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 1850 - Medical Care
for Veterans in Puerto Rico and the
Virgin Islands

Richard Darman has asked for comments on the above-referenced enrolled bill by noon Monday, October 3. Under 38 U.S.C. § 601(4)(C)(v), the VA is permitted to provide contract medical services to Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and other territories, but only up to September 30, 1983. This bill would extend that period to September 30, 1984. Under a separate law, the VA is to prepare a plan to meet the medical needs of veterans in these areas by that time. OMB and the VA recommend approval.

I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from James M. Frey, Assistant Director of OMB for Legislative Reference, and the bill itself, and have no objections. Since the authority extended by this bill expires on Friday, however, we should suggest that Darman have this bill signed by that date. (His memorandum asks for comments by Monday.) It is not likely that a gap of a few days would cause any problems, but it seems best to avoid the question completely by prompt action.

Attachment

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING *Orig. signed by FFF*
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 1850 - Medical Care
for Veterans in Puerto Rico and the
Virgin Islands

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled bill, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective. We do, however, recommend that this bill be signed by Friday, September 30, since the authority extended by this bill will otherwise expire on that day.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

September 29, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

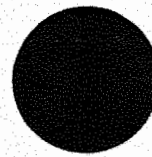
SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 1850 - Medical Care
for Veterans in Puerto Rico and the
Virgin Islands

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled bill, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective. We do, however, recommend that this bill be signed by Friday, September 30, since the authority extended by this bill will otherwise expire on that day.

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WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/27/83 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: NOON Monday, 10/3

SUBJECT: Enrolled Bill S. 1850 - Medical Care for Veterans in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands

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REMARKS:

Please provide comments/recommendations by NOON Monday, October 3.

Thank you.

RESPONSE:

Richard G. Darman
Assistant to the President
Ext. 2702



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

SEP 27 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Bill S. 1850 - Medical Care for Veterans in
Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands
Sponsor - Sen. Simpson (R) Wyoming and 6 others

Last Day for Action

October 7, 1983 - Friday. The authority extended by this enrolled bill expires on Friday, September 30.

Purpose

Extends the Veterans Administration's (VA) authority to provide contract medical services to veterans in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and other U.S. territories.

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget	Approval
Veterans Administration	Approval

Discussion

S. 1850, which passed both Houses by voice vote, would extend from September 30, 1983, through September 30, 1984, the VA's authority to provide contract hospital care and outpatient care to eligible veterans in Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and other U.S. territories. This authority is used to supplement the medical care provided at existing VA-operated facilities since these facilities are currently unable to meet all of the veterans' needs. The cost of S. 1850, estimated to be \$9 million for fiscal year 1984, is included in the 1984 Budget.

S. 1850 is consistent with the Administration proposal on this subject submitted to Congress earlier this year. The Administration's bill would have extended the contract care authority for three years instead of one.

Public Law 97-251 directed the VA to prepare a plan for meeting the health-care needs of veterans in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. VA has completed its assessment of these needs and is now examining how they should be met in relation to the competing needs of other veterans throughout the country. S. 1850 would

assure the continuation of necessary care to the veterans of Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands while long-range solutions are developed.

Representative Edgar, Chairman of the Subcommittee on Hospitals and Health Care of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, in floor remarks, stated that before the expiration of S. 1850's authority on September 30, 1984, VA is expected to complete its study and request funds from Congress to implement its plan to meet the medical needs of these veterans.

James M. Frey
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Enclosures

Ninety-eighth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the third day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three*

An Act

To amend title 38, United States Code, to extend for one year the authority of the Veterans' Administration to provide certain contract medical services in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 601(4)(C)(v) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking out "September 30, 1983" and inserting in lieu thereof "September 30, 1984".

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 3, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM: JOHN G. ROBERTS *JGR*

SUBJECT: S.J. Res. 142 Designating Week of
October 3-9, 1983, as "National
Productivity Improvement Week"

Richard Darman has asked for comments as soon as possible on the above-referenced enrolled resolution. The resolution, passed by voice vote, designates this week as National Productivity Improvement Week. OMB and Commerce recommend approval. I have reviewed the memorandum for the President from OMB Assistant Director for Legislative Reference James M. Frey, and the resolution itself, and have no objections. We have already reviewed and approved the proclamation requested by this resolution. The resolution should be signed as soon as possible so that the celebrations to mark the week may begin across the land.

Attachment

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WASHINGTON

October 3, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR RICHARD G. DARMAN
ASSISTANT TO THE PRESIDENT

FROM: FRED F. FIELDING Orig. signed by FFF
COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT

SUBJECT: S.J. Res. 142 Designating Week of
October 3-9, 1983, as "National
Productivity Improvement Week"

Counsel's Office has reviewed the above-referenced enrolled resolution, and finds no objection to it from a legal perspective.

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OCT 3 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

Subject: Enrolled Resolution S.J. Res. 142 - National
Productivity Improvement Week
Sponsors - Sen. Nunn (D) Georgia and 26 others

Last Day for Action

As soon as possible.

Purpose

Designates the week of October 3 through 9, 1983, as "National Productivity Improvement Week."

Agency Recommendations

Office of Management and Budget

Approval

Department of Commerce

Approval *Inferentially*

Discussion

For the purpose of encouraging improved productivity in the public and private sectors, S.J. Res. 142 designates the week of October 3 through 9, 1983, as "National Productivity Improvement Week." The resolution also requests the President to issue a proclamation calling on the people of the United States to observe the week with appropriate ceremonies and activities. A draft proclamation has been forwarded separately for your consideration.

S.J. Res. 142 passed both Houses by voice vote.

(Signature)
Assistant Director for
Legislative Reference

Ninety-eighth Congress of the United States of America

AT THE FIRST SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Monday, the third day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and eighty-three*

Joint Resolution

Designating the week of October 3 through October 9, 1983, as "National Productivity Improvement Week".

Whereas the economic stability and growth of this Nation relies largely on the collective industry and endeavor of its working citizens;

Whereas the time-honored tradition of American leadership in work-related ingenuity and know-how has brought about great strides in productivity;

Whereas growth in productivity in turn improves the standard of living of United States citizens;

Whereas public awareness of the economic importance of productivity will promote individual and collective ideas and innovations for productivity improvements; and

Whereas a conscientious effort to improve productivity will foster a better standard of living for all citizens and reduce the level of inflation: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, for the purposes of providing for a better understanding of the need for productivity growth and of encouraging the development of methods to improve individual and collective productivity in the public and private sectors, the week of October 3 through October 9, 1983, is designated "National Productivity Improvement Week". The President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the United States to observe such week with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

*Vice President of the United States and
President of the Senate.*

THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

October 4, 1983

The President has signed the following legislation:

S.J. Res. 142 which designates the week of October 3 through 9, 1983, as "National Productivity Improvement Week"; and

S. 602 which establishes the "Voice of America: Radio Marti program" for broadcasting news and information to Cuba.

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Office of the Press Secretary

For Immediate Release

October 7, 1983

The President has signed H.J. Res. 137 which authorizes and requests the President to designate October 2, 1983, through October 9, 1983, as "National Schoolbus Safety Week of 1983."

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