

FOR THE RELIEF OF MEMBERS OF THE BAND OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS WHO WERE RETIRED PRIOR TO JUNE 30, 1922, AND FOR THE RELIEF OF MEMBERS TRANSFERRED TO THE FLEET MARINE CORPS RESERVE

MARCH 18, 1926.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed

Mr. WOODRUFF, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 2058]

The Committee on Naval Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 2058) for the relief of retired members of the Marine Band, having had the same under consideration, report favorably thereon and recommend that the bill do pass.

The purpose of this bill is to permit members of the Marine Band retired before June 30, 1922, or transferred before that date to the Marine Corps Reserve after 16 or 20 years' service, to base their retired or reserve pay on the pay authorized by the act of March 4, 1925, effective July 1, 1922, for members of the Marine Band on the active list.

These retired and transferred members of the Marine Band are the only enlisted men of the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps who have not been allowed to compute their retired or reserve pay on the active-duty pay that became effective July 1, 1922.

The following letter from the Secretary of the Navy addressed to the chairman of the Committee on Naval Affairs of the House of Representatives on (H. R. 6761) a similar bill sets forth the views and recommendations of the department and is hereby made a part of this report.

DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY,
Washington, February 17, 1926.

The CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE ON NAVAL AFFAIRS,
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Replying further to the committee's letter of January 7, 1926, inclosing a bill (H. R. 6761) for the relief of members of the band of the United States Marine Corps who were retired prior to June 30, 1922, and for

