

INDIAN APPROPRIATION BILL.

FEBRUARY 11, 1886.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union and ordered to be printed.

Mr. WELLBORN, from the Committee on Indian Affairs, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 5543.]

In presenting the bill making appropriations for the current and contingent expenses of the Indian Department, and for fulfilling treaty stipulations with various Indian tribes for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1887, the Committee on Indian Affairs submit the following report in explanation thereof:

The estimates upon which the bill is based are to be found on pages 129 to 145 (Estimates of Appropriations), and amount to \$6,051,259.84, of which the committee recommend \$5,502,562.84, which is \$548,697 less than the estimates, and \$274,888.37 less than the appropriations for the current year.

Following is a statement showing the estimates for 1887, amounts recommended in the bill, and the appropriations for 1886:

*Recapitulation of the bill.*

Purposes.	Estimates 1887.	Recommended 1887.	Appropriations 1886.
Current and contingent expenses.....	\$215,300 00	\$200,300 00	219,800 00
Fulfilling treaties with and support of Indian tribes.....	2,725,444 84	2,453,607 84	2,583,833 00
Miscellaneous supports.....	1,173,500 00	1,061,300 00	1,224,833 21
General and incidental expenses.....	159,800 00	132,000 00	134,300 00
Miscellaneous.....	545,200 00	452,000 00	434,400 00
Support of schools.....	1,137,075 00	1,099,415 00	1,085,065 00
Interest on trust funds.....	94,940 00	94,940 00	95,170 00
Grand totals.....	6,051,259 84	5,502,562 84	5,777,451 21
Decrease of bill under estimates.....	548,697 00		
Decrease of bill under law for 1886.....			274,888 37

In the preparation of the bill the committee have endeavored to observe strictly the rule of the House which declares out of order any provision in a general appropriation bill changing existing law, and therefore the bill contains no new legislation.