

Mr. Chairman, I very respectfully but earnestly urge that this committee report the bill, S. 1664, favorably. I would hope you would change it in the respects I have mentioned as variations from the Conference recommendation, but my most earnest wish is that you report the bill.

Senator LONG. Thank you, Judge, for a very helpful statement. Certainly this statement indicates your interest in this matter and the great study you have given to this problem.

You mentioned the Judicial Conference a number of times and, of course, the Chief Justice of the United States is the Chairman of that Conference, so I thought perhaps it would be interesting at this time to go in the record that we have a copy of a letter here from the Chief Justice in regard to this bill.

(The letter is as follows:)

SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES,
Washington, D.C., June 11, 1963.

HON. EDWARD V. LONG,
*Chairman, Subcommittee on Administrative Practice and Procedure,
Committee on the Judiciary,
U.S. Senate
Washington, D.C.*

MY DEAR SENATOR LONG: This is in response to your letter of yesterday requesting my views concerning S. 1664, which would establish a permanent Administrative Conference.

I am pleased to report that the Conference and I personally endorse heartily the purposes of S. 1664. It is our considered opinion that the need for an Administrative Conference is much the same as that which called for the establishment of the Judicial Conference, and we believe that it could accomplish for the administrative agencies what ours is accomplishing for the Federal judiciary.

The Judicial Conference has long been interested in the efforts to establish such a permanent Conference and has received and considered reports of Judge Prettyman's Conference since 1954. In 1959 and 1960, it adopted resolutions recommending the establishment of a permanent Commission. This was transmitted to the President with my personal endorsement on May 6, 1960.

The interest manifested in those resolutions continues, and I feel that such a Conference could, in addition to expediting the business of its own agencies, also better coordinate their activities with those of the courts.

With best wishes, I am
Sincerely,

EARL WARREN.

Judge PRETTYMAN. That comes as very, very, exciting news to us, to have the Chief Justice express to you the interest which he has already expressed to us from time to time.

He came to the Conference at one session and spoke to us.

Senator LONG. This letter certainly indicates his personal interest in the problem.

Mr. Fensterwald, do you have any questions?

Mr. FENSTERWALD. I have two questions, Mr. Chairman.

What would you consider an optimum size assembly for the Conference?

Judge PRETTYMAN. I'd think that a total of about 75, maybe as much as 80.

Mr. FENSTERWALD. That's slightly fewer than the recent Conference.

Judge PRETTYMAN. Yes.

Mr. FENSTERWALD. I don't know if you have had a chance to see this morning's Wall Street Journal. There is a long article in it.