

bers, and other necessary travel expenses. Personnel compensation expenses would be increased by \$1.6 million if the 18 month extension recommended herein is authorized.

There have been appropriated to the Commission \$2,517,000 of the \$4 million authorized in our organic statute, leaving a balance of \$1.4 million unappropriated for which authorization still exists.

As recognized by Congress in establishing the Public Land Law Review Commission, a comprehensive review of public land law and policy is long overdue. To perform a review substantially short of that necessary to lay the foundation and formulation of sound and constructive public land policies would be a disservice to the public. The concept of the Commission requires that all areas of public land policy and administration be examined. Only by providing additional time and authorization for additional funds can this be fulfilled.

The Bureau of the Budget has advised that presentation of this draft bill and its enactment is not in conflict with the program of the President and would be consistent with administration objectives.

Sincerely,

WAYNE N. ASPINALL,
Chairman.

(Enclosure.)

A BILL To amend the Act of September 19, 1964 (78 Stat. 983), establishing the Public Land Law Review Commission, and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled. That the Act of September 19, 1964 (78 Stat. 983), establishing the Public Land Law Review Commission is amended—

(1) by striking, in section 4(b), "December 31, 1968" and substituting therefor "June 30, 1970";

(2) by striking, in section 4(b), "June 30, 1969" and substituting therefor "December 31, 1970";

(3) by striking, in section 9(a), "\$4,000,000" and substituting therefor "\$7,390,000"; and

(4) by substituting for the present text of the first sentence of section 8(a) the following: "The Commission or, on authorization of the Commission, any committee of two or more members, at least one of whom shall be of each major political party, may, for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act, hold such hearings, take testimony or receive evidence under oath, and sit and act at such times and places as the Commission or such authorized committee may deem advisable. The member of the Commission presiding at any such hearing is authorized to administer the oath to witnesses."

PUBLIC LAND LAW REVIEW COMMISSION,
Washington, D.C., August 17, 1967.

HON. WAYNE N. ASPINALL,
*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Supplementing the executive communication from the Public Land Law Review Commission to the Speaker of the House of Representatives dated August 5, 1967, the following