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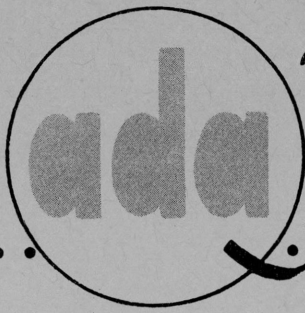


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BULLETIN

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS \$500,000 BOOST IN DENTAL RESEARCH FUNDS --
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES WILL VOTE ON APPROPRIATION ON MONDAY

Washington, D.C., March 2.--An increase of \$500,000 in the appropriation for the National Institute of Dental Research beyond that proposed by President Eisenhower for the 1957 fiscal year, beginning July 1, was recommended today by the Committee on Appropriations of the House of Representatives.

The half million dollar increase for dental research grants was recommended by a subcommittee headed by Rep. Fagarty (D., R.I.) and approved Friday morning by the full committee of which Rep. Cannon (D., Mo.) is chairman. The report is scheduled for action Monday (March 5) by the House. The American Dental Association had asked for an increase of \$3,055,000.

A.D.A. officials said that the \$500,000 increase, while helpful, would not permit the large-scale research program currently needed to combat dental disease. A.D.A. officials pointed out that efforts to secure a greater increase in dental research funds would be made in the Senate where the appropriation will soon be considered.

In its final report, the Appropriations Committee voted increases for all but one of the National Institutes of Health. The largest increase was \$3 million for the heart institute. Increases of \$2 million each went to the cancer, mental health and neurology institutes. The arthritis institute was voted a \$500,000 increase, the same as that given the dental institute. The committee voted to cut by \$1 million the 1957 budget for the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, formerly known as the microbiological institute. In all, the committee recommended an increase of \$9 million in the total 1957 appropriations for the National Institutes of Health. Regarding dental research, the committee said:

The committee recommends that research grants for this Institute be increased by \$500,000 above the estimate. On the basis of testimony on the long-range needs for dental research, the committee feels these funds should be used primarily to establish stronger research centers in which a wide range of scientific specialties can be brought into an active participation on research relating to dental disorders.

As proposed, the 1957 appropriation for dental research grants would be \$1,300,000, compared with \$800,000 recommended by President Eisenhower and \$420,000 appropriated this year.

Dr. Bernerd C. Kingsbury, of San Francisco, A.D.A. president, urged all members to write or wire their respective senators regarding an additional increase in research funds.