

FOES OF REHNQUIST APPEAL TO SENATE

Majority on Panel Assails Charges of Democrats

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The four members of the Senate Judiciary Committee who oppose favorable committee action on William H. Rehnquist's nomination to the Supreme Court formally asked the full Senate today to reject the nomination.

"Mr. Rehnquist's record reveals a dangerous hostility to the great principles of individual freedom under the Bill of Rights and equal justice for all people," they said in a minority report as the nomination went to the Senate.

The four opponents, all Democrats, did not add any fresh charges to those that were made during the committee's proceedings, which ended in a 12-to-4 vote to send the nomination to the floor. The opponents are Senators Birch Bayh of Indiana, Philip A. Hart of Michigan, Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts and John V. Tunney of California.

In a 40-page majority report, Mr. Rehnquist's supporters branded the charges against him as "totally unfounded" and said that he possessed the professional competence, open-mindedness and sense of fairness to be confirmed.

Powell Also Endorsed

The committee also issued a six-page report endorsing the nomination of Lewis F. Powell Jr., President Nixon's second was unanimously approved by the committee.

Both nominations will be placed on the Senate tomorrow. They will be brought up as the final business before adjournment, which probably means that debate will begin on them early next week.

A number of Senators are expected to speak out on the Rehnquist nomination, but no filibuster is expected and both nominees are expected to be confirmed.

Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota, a Democratic Presidential hopeful, announced today that he would vote against the nomination. He cited the conservative statements by Mr. Rehnquist that have prompted most of the opposition to him.

In Illinois, Senator George McGovern of South Dakota, an announced candidate for the Democratic nomination, said that he would also oppose the nomination.

In the long minority report, the four opponents insisted that the Senate could properly turn down a nominee if it found his judicial philosophy unsuited for the Supreme Court. They charged that Mr. Rehnquist had sought to conceal his conservative views by refusing to say if he personally believed statements made in his capacity as an Assistant Attorney General.