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CHICAGO AP - Teamsters' Union President James R. Hoffa's prison term has been lengthened from eight to 13 years.

Hoffa was sentenced for a second time Friday to a five-year prison term and a \$10,000 fine on charges of taking part in a multimillion-dollar conspiracy to defraud a teamsters' pension fund.

Judge Richard B. Austin, in sentencing the Teamsters president Friday, declared that the five-year term will be consecutive to an eight-year sentence Hoffa is now serving for jury tampering in Chattanooga, Tenn. Hoffa is imprisoned in Lewisburg, Pa.

Hoffa was sentenced once before on the pension-fund charge, but the five-years-plus-\$10,000 sentence was vacated by the Supreme Court. The high court ordered a hearing to determine whether admitted government wiretapping helped in obtaining the evidence that led to Hoffa's conviction in 1964 in Chicago.

Judge Austin conducted the hearing in U.S. District Court and ruled Aug. 22 that Hoffa did not merit a new trial. The same ruling applied to the five codefendants convicted with Hoffa.

"The government had learned nothing new in an electronically eavesdropped conversation Dec. 2, 1963, between the defendant S. George Burris and Benjamin Sigelbaum," Judge Austin said in passing sentence.

Hoffa said nothing in his own behalf Friday, nor did his lawyer, Maurice J. Walsh, who has promised an appeal.

Judge Austin also reinstated the sentences of the five codefendants. They and Hoffa were convicted of siphoning \$1 million from the pension fund to finance a Sun Valley, Fla., real estate project.

The codefendants and their sentences:

Burris of New York City, 18 months and \$5,000.

Abe Weinbalt, 70, of Miami, one hour in custody and \$5,000.

Zachary Strate Jr., 47, of New Orleans, three years and \$5,000.

Calvin Kovens, 44, Miami, three years and \$5,000.

Benjamin Dranow, 60, formerly of Minneapolis, five years and \$10,000. Dranow was serving a sentence on another charge when he was convicted in 1964.

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