

HOUSE AGAIN ACTS TO RESTRICT FUNDS TO RAID CAMBODIA

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Votes, 240-172, to Extend
the Curb by 3 Months—
Senate Votes Again
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WASHINGTON, June 26—In its second antiwar action in two days, the House of Representatives voted today to extend through Sept. 30 a proposed ban on the use of funds for United States bombing in Cambodia.

It acted as the Senate completed Congressional action on legislation cutting off all bombing funds through Saturday, June 30, the end of the fiscal year. That provision, which the House approved yesterday, was attached to a bill that would provide \$3.3-billion in supplemental appropriations to keep various Federal departments operating through Saturday.

The Senate approved the bill, 81 to 11, and sent it to the President. At the Western White House in San Clemente, Calif., a spokesman said that President Nixon had not yet decided whether to sign or veto the supplemental spending bill with its antiwar amendment.

Pentagon Reiterates Stand

A Pentagon spokesman meantime reiterated that the Defense Department would obey the law but noted that the appropriations measure containing the cut-off had not yet become law.

In today's action, the House attacked the proposed expansion of the measure cutting off bombing funds to a so-called resolution, which condones appropriations for the governmental departments through Sept. 30, the end of the first quarter of the fiscal year starting Sunday, July 1. Such a resolution would permit the Government to continue operating into the new fiscal year even though Congress has not yet approved the needed money bills for the various departments and agencies.

The continuing resolution now goes to the Senate, which is expected to concur in the House action later this week.

The House in a procedural battle took three successive votes in approving an extension of the bombing fund cut-off—basically the same language it has approved yesterday.

The final tally of 240 to 172 in favor of the extension was the largest vote an antiwar measure had received in the House since the Indochina conflict began more than a decade ago. However, it was well short of the two-thirds vote that

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would be needed to override a Presidential veto.

Nonetheless the votes over the last two days indicated a significant shift in the House, which in the past has been more reluctant than the Senate to cut off funds for United States military activities in Indochina.

"Let's say what we mean and mean what we say and get the hell out," Representative Robert L. Leggett, Democrat of California, remarked during the debate.

On the final vote on the amendment, 176 Democrats and 64 Republicans voted for the cutoff, while 53 Democrats and 199 Republicans voted against.

In addition to being a defeat for Mr. Nixon, the vote was also a setback for one of the House's more powerful figures, Representative George H.

Mahon, Democrat of Texas and chairman of the Committee.

Mr. Mahon appealed to the House to give Mr. Nixon more flexibility and time to try to achieve a cease-fire in Cambodia "rather than slap him in the face in the presence of the entire world."

Representative Gerald R. Ford of Michigan, the Republican minority leader, also told the House that "action would be 'undercutting negotiations that are going on right now' to complete a cease-fire."

At one point when Representative Jack E. Kemp, Republican of New York, declared that "the President has to be credible all over the world," Representative Wayne L. Hays, Democrat of Ohio, replied in an apparent allusion the Senate

Watergate hearings: "Apparently the gentlemen hasn't been watching television lately."

Unreported in Cambodia

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PHNOM PENH, Cambodia, June 26—Few Cambodians are aware that action by the United States Congress might soon cut off American air support.

The Cambodian press and Government radio have never reported the Congressional votes, presumably to help maintain Cambodian morale.

The official view here, however, is that if American air support ends, the Government of President Lon Nol will fight on but at a great disadvantage. This view was reiterated today by a spokesman for the Cambodian armed forces.