

Impeachment Panel Gets More Money

Washington

The House voted yesterday to spend an additional million dollars on an investigation into whether grounds exist for the impeachment of President Nixon.

After a bruising political battle, the House voted to increase funds for its Judiciary Committee by \$1 million for the study. Eleven impeachment resolutions have been introduced.

Chairman Peter W. Rodino Jr. (Dem.-N.J.) avoided a strict party line vote on a key issue by assuring Republicans they would get one-third of the money to hire their own staff to help conduct the inquiry.

Republicans accused the Democrats of making all the committee's decisions to

date without GOP participation. Democrats accused the GOP members of dragging the matter into a partisan squabble by opposing the extra \$1 million for the committee.

The key vote was 233 to 136 on a motion that had the effect of choking off any amendments to the emergency measure first introduced on Tuesday, at \$2 million and pared in half by the House administration committee.

Republicans complained that the committee had made no presentations to the administration committee to support its need for the funds. They said they feared that to approve the \$1 million resolution would be endorsement of a "witchhunt."

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