

NIXON STAFF FUNDS REDUCED BY HOUSE

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Figure of \$121,152 Based on
Costs Plus Inflation

WASHINGTON, July 17 (AP)

—The House passed today by a vote of 393 to 18 a \$7.5-billion measure to fund the Treasury, White House and other agencies and cutting requests for funds for former President Richard M. Nixon's staff by \$81,848.

While Mr. Nixon's \$60,000-pension is not affected, the bill sent to the Senate would allow only \$121,152 for staff expenses during the 15 months that began July 1. President Ford had requested \$203,000 for Mr. Nixon's staff.

The Appropriations Committee recommended the lower figure, saying it was based on the current costs of the Nixon staff with a 5 per cent allowance for inflation.

Overall, the bill comes close to budget recommendations. The committee said in its report that enactment would have "minimal overall inflationary impact on prices and costs."

The amounts requested for President Ford's White House residence and office were allowed in full in the bill, with only what the committee called a technical adjustment relating to allocation of certain rental charges.

These include \$1.8-million for the residence; \$16.7-million for office salaries and expenses and \$978,000 for special assistance.

An amendment designed to tighten the requirement that persons assigned to the White House from other agencies be paid by the White House—or that the appropriation be reduced accordingly—lost.

The bill includes \$3.061-billion for the Treasury Department; \$1.998-billion for independent agencies. All figures are for the fiscal year that began July plus a three-month transitional period during which the Government will shift to a fiscal year beginning Oct. 1.