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Statement of Managers on the Part of the House, Conference Report, House of Representatives, Report No. 1526, 88<sup>th</sup> Congress, 2d Session, June 30, 1964, p. 7

*“Life of program under title I – State water resources research institutes*

“The Senate-passed bill would authorize a permanent program of grants to establish water resources research institutes in each State and help finance research projects at such institutes. The House amendment limited the program to 10 years. The conference committee agreed to authorizing a permanent program with the understanding that the program will be reviewed periodically by the legislative committees to determine whether it is providing the water research expected, whether satisfactory results are being obtained, and whether modifications in the program are needed. The annual report of the Secretary of the Interior should be prepared with the objective of keeping the Congress fully informed with respect to this research program.”

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VETO – S.684, MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES RETURNING WITHOUT MY APPROVAL S. 684, AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE AN ONGOING PROGRAM OF WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, Senate Document 98-24, 98<sup>th</sup> Congress, 2d Session, February 21, 1984.

*“To the Senate of the United States:*

“I am returning herewith without my approval S.684, an act ‘To authorize an ongoing program of water resources research, and for other purposes.’

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“For some twenty years, the Federal Government has provided ‘seed money’ for the type of water research that would be authorized by Title I. This Federal support has produced a number of successful State water research institutes. I believe that these State institutes are now at a point where further Federal involvement in their research activities is not necessary. They can stand and continue to succeed on their own.

“Moreover, the water research that S. 684 would promote can be characterized as mostly local or in some cases regional in nature. The focus of such research will of course vary from State to State because water problems and needs often differ by region. The States and private industry should be fully responsible for financing research necessary to deal with their own particular problems and needs.

“If we are to truly succeed in reducing Federal spending we must sort out those responsibilities which are appropriately Federal from those which can be more effectively and fairly implemented at the State and local level.

“Accordingly, I feel constrained to disapprove S. 684.”

RONALD REAGAN

THE WHITE HOUSE, February 21, 1984

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