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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

JANUARY 12, 1848.

Read twice, and committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union.

Mr. HILLIARD, from the Committee on Foreign Affairs, reported the following bill:

A BILL

To regulate the diplomatic intercourse of the United States with foreign nations.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*
2 *sentatives of the United States of America in Congress*
3 *assembled,* That the sum of twenty-seven thousand dollars
4 be, and the same is hereby, appropriated for the payment
5 of the salaries of envoys extraordinary and ministers
6 plenipotentiary to represent the government of the United
7 States, near the governments of Austria, Turkey, and
8 China.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That the sum of
2 seventy thousand dollars be, and the same is hereby, ap-
3 propriated for the payment of the salaries of ministers
4 resident to represent the government of the United States

5 near the governments of Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Hol-
 6 land, Belgium, Portugal, Sardinia, the two Sicilies, New
 7 Grenada, Venezuela, Argentine Confederation, Chili, Peru;
 8 and the additional sum of thirty-six thousand dollars for
 9 the payment of the salaries and outfits of ministers resi-
 10 dent to represent the government of the United States near
 11 the governments of Bolivia, Guatemala, and Equador.

1 *SEC. 3. And be it further enacted,* That, in the case
 2 any one of the persons, now holding a commission as
 3 charge d'affaires of the United States, shall be appointed
 4 ministers resident near the government to which he is now
 5 accredited, he shall not be entitled to any additional sum
 6 as an outfit.

1 *SEC. 4. And be it further enacted,* That secretaries of
 2 legation, or other persons left in charge of legations in the
 3 absence of the ministers, shall be styled charges d'affaires,
 4 and shall receive a compensation for their services at the
 5 rate of four thousand five hundred dollars per annum, with-
 6 out other allowance for the time they may serve in that
 7 capacity.

1 *SEC. 5. And be it further enacted,* That when at any
 2 time the President, by and with the advice, and consent of
 3 the Senate, shall appoint an ambassador to represent the
 4 government of the United States near a foreign govern-
 5 ment, he shall receive, as a compensation for his services,

6 twelve thousand dollars per annum, and an outfit of the
7 same amount.

SEC. 6. *And be it further enacted*, That the sum of
dollars, and the same is hereby ap-
propriated for the payment of the salary and outfit of a
minister of such grade as the President, by and with the
advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint to repre-
sent the government of the United States near the govern-
ment of the Papal States.

1 SEC. 7. *And be it further enacted,* That all laws and
2 parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions of this act
3 be, and the same are hereby, repealed.