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IN SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

AUGUST 22, 1842.
Ordered to be printed.

Mr. BATES submitted the following

REPORT :

The Committee on Pensions to whom was referred a resolution of the General Assembly of Indiana in favor of allowing pensions to those who served in Wayne's campaign, respectfully report :

The ground upon which the soldiers of the Revolution have been pensioned is the inadequacy and in some instances the utter failure of the consideration received for their services. The committee see no good reason for extending the system beyond the revolutionary service, except as to invalids; certainly not, retrospectively. Nor do the committee think it expedient to change the rule of evidence established by the War Department. Several instances have occurred illustrating the propriety of the rule requiring proof of service in order to entitle the widow of a deceased pensioner to the benefit of the act of 1836 and 1838. Wherefore,

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject matter of the resolution.

Thomas Allen, print.