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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 15, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS

THRU:

MAX L. FRIEDERSDORF *M.L.F.*

FROM:

VERN LOEN *VL*

SUBJECT:

Veto of H. R. 11873,
Animal Health Research

Rep. John Melcher, D-Mont. who literally shoved this bill through subcommittee and full Agriculture Committee, was livid about the veto, but could not argue with the reasons behind it. Rep. Bill Scherle, R-Iowa another strong backer of the bill, accepted the veto in good grace, said he agreed with every reason listed and urged the President to continue the same policy toward inflationary measures, particularly arts and humanities.

Rep. Bill Wampler, R-Va. ranking on Agriculture, was not upset.

Melcher said there would be no attempt to override the veto, but was trying to reach the President by telephoning this morning in the belief that today was the final day for decision on the bill.

cc: N. Ross
F. Zarb

*B.T. — Poage says no veto
override will be
attempted. — May f.*

