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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, December 13, 1864.—Read first and second times, placed on the Calendar and ordered to be printed.

[By Mr. BOYCE. from Committee on Naval Affairs.]

A BILL

To increase the number of acting midshipmen in the pavy, and to prescribe the manner of appointment.

SECTION 1. The Congress of the Confelerate States of America 1 do enact. That the number of acting midshipmen in the navy 2 3 shall be increased to one hundred and fifty, who shall be ap-4 pointed, subject to the rules and regulations for the government of the naval school, as follows: One from each Congressional 56 district, upon the comination of the representative thereof in 7 Congress: two at large from each State, upon the nomination of the Senators thereof respectively; and the remaining eighteen 8 by the President at large. 9

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