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Dear ...:

The proposal to appropriate $130,000 for ammunition to be used for civilian rifle practice was, as you know, defeated on the floor of the House of Representatives recently. The reason for its defeat was primarily because it was believed that such appropriation would not add considerably to the effectiveness of our national defense.

However, much interest has developed as a result of the House action and in contacting the Senate Appropriations Committee, I feel certain that the views expressed by you and others will receive the most earnest attention.

Sincerely,

Everett McKinley Dirksen