STATEMENT BY SENATOR STROM THURMOND (D-SC) ON LABOR REFORM CONFERENCE REPORT. SEPTEMBER 2, 1959

The conference report on the Labor Reform Bill does not contain all that is needed to do the best possible job of protecting the public and our working people from labor racketeering and illegitimate activities of labor union bosses. It does, however, constitute a victory for the public and the workers because it contains some effective labor reform measures which are vitally needed. I am, therefore, supporting the conference report.

The achievement represented by this report is largely due to the untiring work of the McClellan committee's revealing rackets investigations and to the American people from all walks of life who rose up and demanded from the Congress effective labor reform legislation. I consider labor reform to be one of the most important issues to come before the Congress during my five years in the Senate.