

this kind of protection. I would think it might be wiser to put in certain guidelines and safeguards so that a city such as yours would have a fair assurance of receiving a fair amount of money.

Mayor WAGNER. I would have no objection to that.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. I assume your needs for additional Federal assistance will far outstrip any amount available to your State even if your State would get 12½ percent that is available.

Mayor WAGNER. I think that would be true of any large city.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. I see you criticize the language of the bill with respect to bypassing the local governments in approving these community action programs. You are suggesting specifically that local governments should participate.

Mayor WAGNER. That is right.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. In approving or disapproving of the projects. You note this is not included in the bill at the present time.

Mayor WAGNER. That is correct.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. I am also interested in the problem of recruiting for the Job Corps. You suggest that the hard core unemployed among our young men would be the prime material for this Job Corps. If you were given a quota of 40,000, which is proposed for the initial year, and given the authority to select, on what basis would you select? How would you suggest that the Job Corps could keep these young men for the full 2 years of their tour of duty? What kind of discipline would you provide?

I might say that there was a small project in my own State, the so-called Belleplain project, which lost about 6 of the 16 or 18 enrollees in the first week of the program.

So it might well be that if they were not sufficiently motivated that they might drop out of the program before it got underway.

How would you handle that?

Mayor WAGNER. That could very well be. I think in these programs you have to get at the hard core and a good deal would depend on those in charge who would give some incentive to the youngsters. I think there is no doubt you would have in any program a dropout, but as the program proceeded and if, as we would hope, it would be successful, word gets back and gets around, that we are going to be able to get somewhere with this program and not feel that they are being put in a semimilitary organization for no purpose at all.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. I wish I had time to ask you what you mean by "hard core" and what you mean by "incentives." What kind of incentives?

Mayor WAGNER. I will be glad to write to you, Congressman, and I will answer you in detail.

Mr. FRELINGHUYSEN. Thank you, Mr. Mayor.

Chairman POWELL. Mr. Landrum.

Mr. LANDRUM. Mayor Wagner, I am delighted to see you before the committee this morning. I am grateful for your statement in support of the legislation. I regret that other engagements have prevented me from hearing your statement. I have read it carefully and I appreciate the constructive suggestions you have made.

I wonder how you think section 209 will take care of the criticism just voiced by the gentleman from New Jersey about the possibility of no allocations being made to the State of New York or to New York