

Governor BREATHITT. Probably it would be very helpful. I think that many of our people in Kentucky live in isolated areas and they will remain isolated until we get our highway program and our developmental programs. I think it is good for them to move into other areas. I think it will be helpful to them. We found surprisingly enough in the 4 months of our pilot program, on our jobless training program, which, of course, cannot be as comprehensive and does not affect the youth like this title of the act does, that many people who had not been able to get a job are working in these jobs and getting a new environment, they see opportunities that they did not see before.

Mr. LANDRUM. Have you found any grounds for apprehension that the bill is drafted in such a way as to circumvent the State government?

Governor BREATHITT. None whatsoever.

Mr. LANDRUM. Do you think there are ample safeguards for the Governor of a State and for local governments to be appropriately consulted?

Governor BREATHITT. I think so. I think the provisions of the law have ample safeguards. Our experience in working with Federal agencies has been very fine. We have had a fine relationship in working with them. We have had no problem at all. Our office is set up and designed to work with these agencies and with our own State agencies.

Mr. LANDRUM. I think it is commendable that you have moved as effectively as your statement indicates you have in establishing an organization that will be able to immediately take advantage of the benefits from this bill if and when it becomes law. With the organization which you have constructed, do you see any possibility that you will have to reorganize that in order to comply with the terms of the bill?

Governor BREATHITT. No, Congressman. We have done some reorganization now since the first of the year in the Governor's office headed by Mr. Whisman, so that it will be ready and available to implement this act in Kentucky.

Mr. LANDRUM. That is for your own convenience and not because we are circumventing that State authority.

Governor BREATHITT. No.

Mr. LANDRUM. With regard to title III of the bill and the proposed assistance there for small family-type farmers, do you see that there can be any real values made available to the Kentucky family-type farmers under this provision?

Governor BREATHITT. Particularly I think this is important because we find that other than in the bluegrass and in the larger farm areas of western Kentucky down near the Mississippi and in the Ohio River valleys, our farms are subsistence farms. In the nob area of Kentucky and in the south-central area and in the eastern areas of Kentucky, Congressman Perkins' district, and in southeast Kentucky, the farmers there are in this substandard group that I mentioned in my prepared testimony, have income which is actually submarginal. These are the people who need the help. These are the people whose children do not seem to have the chance to see the opportunities they have.

I think this provision, title III of the bill, will be particularly help-