

perhaps, under HUD or not, that went to the city demonstration program in the first place. How can local control be talked about when the President himself has spelled out that this will be circumscribed?

Secretary WEAVER. It is not circumscribed, sir. The whole activity which is carried out in the demonstration city program will result from a program. The program will be developed by the locality before there is a Federal coordinator in the picture. This program, which will be planned with a 90-percent Federal payment, will be the basis on which the demonstration grant money, or the supplemental money, will become available to the locality. The locality then will have made a commitment to carry out a program to achieve certain results. It will then say how it will achieve these results. The Federal coordinator will be there simply to see that instead of having to get these supplemental funds from five or six Federal sources, it will funnel through one source. What those funds are spent for is determined by the local government in accordance with the plan and the program the local government has devised. They make the determination. The Federal coordinator does not make the determination of what these funds are spent for. And the law specifically says that they can be spent for any purpose which is consistent with the program that they have developed. They cannot be spent for things that are inconsistent with the program or not included in it.

Mr. WIDNALL. Your authority would rest in the Federal coordinator for final approval of supplemental funds as they came in from the various agencies; is that not so? None of the agencies would provide the funds unless the Federal coordinator so certified?

Secretary WEAVER. No other agency provides any of these supplemental funds. These funds are provided by the Department of Housing and Urban Development on the basis of the amounts of the non-Federal contribution to certain existing grant-in-aid programs. This amount will be certified by the various agencies of the Federal Government that administer these programs. The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development will confer with and discuss with all of the other Secretaries and heads of agencies which administer existing grant-in-aid programs which are part of a city's program. The calculation of the amount of the supplemental funds available to a city because of non-Federal contributions to these existing grant programs becomes a responsibility of HUD, and the payment of these supplemental funds becomes the responsibility of HUD.

Mr. WIDNALL. Under the definition of a city demonstration agency, do you mean by local governing body the local elected governing body?

Secretary WEAVER. I do.

Mr. WIDNALL. Would you have any objection if we added the word "elected" in the bill?

Secretary WEAVER. No. I think we have it in several places. I do not think this would cause any difficulty.

Mr. WIDNALL. I bring this up because in 1964 the minority suggested a direct tie between the local public agency and local elected officials. At that time we received a letter from you in opposition to the idea.

Secretary WEAVER. I beg your pardon?

Mr. WIDNALL. I would not read your comment at this time, but I would like to place in the record this portion, Mr. Chairman.

Secretary WEAVER. I didn't hear what the context of that was.