

Mr. Chairman, the many Federal aid programs affecting urban development represent a huge investment in our metropolitan areas. The quality of the administration and management of these programs at the Federal, regional, and local levels has been improved noticeably, it seems to me, in the past 2 years by those few requirements for coordinated planning which now already exist. This bill goes further and provides what I believe to be workable and appropriate procedures for stimulating a kind of urban development that can be consistent with comprehensive metropolitan planning.

I should like to file copies of this statement with you, together with a publication entitled, "The Atlanta Region Metropolitan Planning Commission—What It Is—What It Does."

And I appreciate being here. I shall be glad to reply to any questions.

Mr. BARRETT. That will be placed in the record without objection. (The material referred to by Mr. Bennett follows:)