

Muskie bill and then you have this committee looking at the proposition of relations of metropolitan governments. You say on page 5:

We thus have the rather strange situation of two House committees simultaneously considering the same subject in two different bills.

I agree. I think it is almost anomalous. Since I am a member of the Government Operations Subcommittee, I have asked that committee to coordinate its work and send over that portion of the bill which has to do with that subject matter, so that the right hand will know what the left hand is doing.

I have just one question to ask you.

On the bottom of page 6 you quote from Secretary Weaver's book, "The Urban Complex." And you quote just one sentence:

We seek to recapture control of the use of the land, most of which the Government has already given to the people.

Well, that makes kindly old Doc Weaver almost look like a Socialist. I wonder if you would mind reading the preceding sentence in that book, "The Urban Complex."

Mr. WILLIAMSON. I have the book and I will—I lent it to a member of this committee. I will put in the record—in my opinion it is not out of context, but we will put in the entire two or three pages.

Mr. REUSS. I have looked it up, and I think it is on page 6 of the book, is it not? The previous sentence says—

Mr. BARRETT. This may be inserted in the record without objection. (The information referred to follows:)

EXCERPT FROM "THE URBAN COMPLEX—HUMAN VALUES IN URBAN LIFE" BY DR. ROBERT C. WEAVER (DOUBLEDAY)

Originally this Nation was developed largely by offering people absolute control over wide areas to facilitate the rapid improvement of the land. Now we are trying to recover control of the way land is used so as to achieve a proper type of development of our urban areas and of our whole country. Our current objectives are to secure the open space needed both for urban and rural recreation, to protect wildlife, to promote conservation, to eliminate scatterization, and, of course, to provide sites for the shelter required by our population. Thus, we seek to recapture control of the use of the land, most of which the Government has already given to people.

Mr. REUSS. I will read the previous sentence:

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You are not against protecting wildlife?

Mr. WILLIAMSON. No.

Mr. ENLEN. No.

Mr. WILLIAMSON. All right.

Mr. REUSS. You are not against open space?

Mr. WILLIAMSON. No, sir.

Mr. REUSS. How about conservation?

Mr. WILLIAMSON. We are all for it.

Mr. REUSS. You are not for scatterization?

Mr. WILLIAMSON. That's right.

Mr. REUSS. Actually when you read the whole quotation including the "Thus," it does not make Doc Weaver out as so bad at all.