

There is a huge, long waiting list. Unless the demonstration cities are given priority in the obtaining of the Federal matching funds under existing programs such as that, the demonstration is going to bog down to the point that the last of these major programs that they are on the waiting list for can be funded.

Therefore, as a practical matter of administration—and I have read Mr. Weaver's testimony on this, and I still feel this way—as a practical matter, I think the demonstration cities would have to have priority, so that the necessary resources which may involve interstate highways, highway beautification, recreation facilities, as well as urban renewal and housing and schools and other things—so that they can be brought together in one point of time as well as one geographical point.

Mr. HARVEY. Thank you very much. Your testimony is very clear and we appreciate receiving it.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. BARRETT. Thank you, Mr. Harvey.

Does the gentleman from Rhode Island desire to ask other questions?

Mr. ST GERMAIN. I think when you mentioned the section 107 program—I had a little problem trying to determine section 107 of which act.

Mr. COLEMAN. I think—

Mr. ST GERMAIN. Or is this a typographical error?

Mr. COLEMAN. No—we got the money under this section. This is this low-income housing demonstration program. I think it was funded in 1961.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. It was under the 1961 act?

Mr. COLEMAN. Housing Act—I think so; yes, sir. Low-income housing demonstration program.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. And this was just a demonstration project?

Mr. COLEMAN. That's correct.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. And Cincinnati, Ohio, was one of the fortunate cities to come under it?

Mr. COLEMAN. The Better Housing League served as the contractor, the city was the applicant in this instance. That program has been under way about 2 years and is near conclusion.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. Mr. Gradison brought out the fact that if the Demonstration Cities Act as proposed—if it were to be adopted, there would be many unhappy cities. I submit we are trying to determine whether or not legislation can be effective. This is oftentimes going to happen. Just as this \$117,000 was granted to Cincinnati in this particular instance, section 107 of the 1961 act, we could not give that demonstration money to all cities, but your experience certainly has been invaluable to us.

Mr. GRADISON. If I may sir. The big question here is whether you need a demonstration to show that these coordinating activities massive programs will do the job. The burden of my testimony is that unlike the low-income housing demonstration which was getting into a field which had not been adequately studied, that this is something which we are dealing with every day in our urban renewal work. I sincerely suggest that there is a question of whether it is necessary to sponsor demonstrations in order to show that these techniques in the bill will work. I submit that we know that already.