

broad guidelines that will not permit a State to run away with its responsibility.

Chairman PERKINS. Mr. Donovan, assuming that you had reasonable guidelines that were directed in the direction that the funds were now being expended, if you had general Federal aid, would you spend it in the same ways and manner that you are now spending it under this legislation, ESEA, title I?

Mr. DONOVAN. We would not spend it in exactly the same ways, sir. It would go into the general areas.

Chairman PERKINS. Assuming that you only had sufficient funds for the disadvantaged groups, would you spend those funds in the exact way that you are now spending them?

Mr. DONOVAN. I don't think we would spend them in exactly the same way, no, sir; but I think we would spend them in methods to help the disadvantaged, but I would not say that every program we now have mounted we would continue to mount.

Chairman PERKINS. I would like to hear the comments of all the gentlemen on that one. Would it change if you had only sufficient funds in a general Federal aid bill for the disadvantaged groups from Congress?

Mr. QUIE. That is quite an assumption—that we would only make title I interrelated, not the other titles, and have nothing added to it. That's a pretty big assumption.

Chairman PERKINS. I do not think so. You are just assuming here. It is a hypothetical statement, yes; but go ahead. I would like to hear your comments.

Mr. WHITTIER. Well, Mr. Chairman, I do not think, Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, that we would spend it exactly the same way, if you had broader provisions and less specificity from the Federal Government. I do not think that—

Chairman PERKINS. Do you think it would get away from the disadvantaged?

Mr. WHITTIER. No, I think that that has already been pointed out.

Chairman PERKINS. You do not have the amount of money—

Mr. WHITTIER. Well, we have never been in a position where we have not, so you always have this kind of a situation anyway, and I think that the sensitivity is such today that you know that you are going to be spending a higher percentage per pupil as you are now, but to say that you would do it in exactly this way would be, I think, unrealistic, because I do not think you would, but you would concentrate it in terms of meeting the needs of the children in these sections of the city.

Chairman PERKINS. Well, you have got flexibility today to spend it for the disadvantaged in your school system, and any way that you want to spend it, have you not?

Mr. WHITTIER. No, you do not, because there are certain prescriptions that you have to meet, and there are kinds of programs that you are precluded from using these funds for, very definitely, so that the answer is no, you do not have complete latitude at all.

Mrs. GREEN. Would the gentleman yield?

Chairman PERKINS. Yes.

Mrs. GREEN. Is not one of the requirements that you are required to do something above and beyond what you have done before?