ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION AMENDMENTS OF 1967

SATURDAY, MARCH 18, 1967

House of Representatives, Committee on Education and Labor, Washington, D.C.

The committee met at 9:30 a.m., pursuant to recess in room 2175, Rayburn House Office Building, Hon. Carl D. Perkins (chairman of the committee) presiding.

Present: Representatives Perkins, Scheuer, Dellenback, and

Steiger.

Staff members present: Robert E. McCord, senior specialist; H. D. Reed, Jr., general counsel; William D. Gaul, associate general counsel; Benjamin F. Reeves, editor; Louise M. Dargans, research assistant; and Charles W. Radcliffe, special education counsel for minority.

Chairman Perkins. The committee will be in order. A quorum is present. We have Mr. Russell Goble from the Martin County schools of Kentucky. We would be delighted to hear from you at this time, Mr. Goble, and we are interested in knowing how the Elementary and Secondary Education Act is working out in your county.

STATEMENT OF RUSSELL GOBLE, MARTIN COUNTY SCHOOLS, KENTUCKY

Mr. Goble. Mr. Chairman and members of the committee, I wish to congratulate the committee for its efforts in making funds available through the Elementary and Secondary Education Act to local school districts especially those districts with low per capital income, a high rate of unemployment, and a large number of culturally and economically deprived children.

The programs are being well coordinated by the U.S. Office of Education, the State departments of education, and the local school districts. The guidelines, as a whole, are flexible enough to permit the local school districts to provide many of the needed services and facilities that they have been deprived of in the past due to a lack of funds.

Martin County has a low per capital income with little local revenue with which to provide an educational program that is comparable to the programs in the districts having the taxable wealth.

Elementary and Secondary Education Act funds are helping to bridge the gap and the impact of Federal aid, too, is producing desirable results.