

(a) If Federal assistance is to be provided for construction, the legislation would have to be amended.

(b) The level of OEO appropriation authorizations would have to be increased to take care of any amount above the President's budget request of \$310 million for Head Start.

Mr. DELLENBACK. I assume it is your eventual goal hopefully to cover this entire group with Headstart.

Mr. SUGARMAN. That is correct.

Mr. DELLENBACK. What would you anticipate the annual budget requirements would be to cover this number that you have set forth there?

Mr. SUGARMAN. In terms of providing service to children 3 years of age and older, we said in this report last year that the annual operating costs would be approximately \$2.4 billion once the programs were established.

Mr. DELLENBACK. \$2.4 billion.

Mr. SUGARMAN. Right.

Mr. DELLENBACK. That is just for Headstart?

Mr. SUGARMAN. That is just for Headstart and does not include Followthrough.

Mr. DELLENBACK. What about Followthrough? How far would you anticipate ultimately taking Followthrough and how many dollars more would this run?

Mr. SUGARMAN. I think our Followthrough planning is based at the moment on going through the third grade but with a diminishing number of children requiring the service as they reach the higher grade levels.

Mr. DELLENBACK. Let me ask a question on that. You have indicated in this initial inception that Followthrough would reach through the third grade. Does your longrun planning call for you to take a further program beyond the Followthrough, beyond the third grade?

Mr. SUGARMAN. The planning in this year's budget is only to reach the first grade after Headstart. Our long-range planning probably goes as far as the third grade but not necessarily for all of the children to get the services in the first grade. We haven't gone beyond the third grade in our thinking.

Mr. DELLENBACK. Do I understand correctly that the Followthrough classes and the help would be above and beyond the regular classroom?

Mr. SUGARMAN. That is correct.

Mr. DELLENBACK. Breaking to another point, how many volunteers are involved in Headstart at the present time?

Mr. SUGARMAN. We figure, estimate that there are about 125,000 volunteers involved.

Mr. DELLENBACK. How many paid personnel?

Mr. SUGARMAN. A total number of paid personnel of approximately 50,000.

Mr. DELLENBACK. But you anticipate that the hours, then, are about 3 to 1?

Mr. SUGARMAN. Yes.