

tional curriculums in the State for high schools and adults, it would go into that direction.

If it would come for the purpose of disadvantaged youth—

Mr. HAWKINS. Are you saying it would be used only for disadvantaged youth if the Congress earmarked the money?

Mr. WATSON. If the money became available for this purpose, that is where it would all be used.

Mr. HAWKINS. Have you ever considered using money for this purpose even if it is earmarked by Congress? If it is so desirable, and you have said it is, why don't you go ahead and do it in the State without waiting for the Congress to hand it over to you?

Mr. WATSON. We have our existing public education offerings that are inadequate as far as the vocational education is concerned. We are trying to head the problem off before they become disadvantaged youth, 16 to 21 years old. This is where we have to get at the problem first, and this is the problem we are working on with the Vocational Act of 1963 money. That act does not provide for residential centers.

Mr. HAWKINS. But it does provide for money to deal with the problem of the disadvantaged. Apparently your States and the other States haven't used much of it for that purpose, and yet you have testified you would like to get the Job Corps. I wonder why you don't institute the program even now. Is it because local money would be involved, is it because the States as well as the local district would have to contribute money as they do for the vocational education program?

Mr. WATSON. I am not sure I am correct on this. But there is an amendment to the act of 1963, I think section 13, that would provide the residential centers, but there was no appropriation made for this particular thing, and without the appropriation, then, even though it is legal, we cannot do it.

As I say, we are concentrating our efforts on—

Mr. HAWKINS. Do you think you are prohibited from doing it?

Mr. WATSON. If there is no money, yes.

Mr. HAWKINS. Quite aside from the money, you received Federal money, and the thrust of my question is, you obtained money.

Are you going to leave those out completely, those being served by the Job Corps, and ignore them unless you are specifically directed to do so? Why don't you place them in the same category you do as the others who are also seeking vocational education?

Mr. WATSON. We are using the Manpower Development Training Act to work with the disadvantaged in Mahoning Valley, and several other centers are working with disadvantaged youth now. Mahoning Valley is not the only institution in Ohio which is dealing with the disadvantaged youth.

We would do more. For example, our manpower appropriations last year were cut from \$13 million the previous year to \$8 million this last year, and if this appropriation—we could have used twice as much.

We have manpower projects that have not been funded simply because there is not enough in the appropriations to cover the cost.

Mr. HAWKINS. You indicate the actual cost is \$2,680 per student. I assume that is on a 9-month basis, is it not, sir?

Mr. WATSON. That is the number of students served, whether they were there for 6 months or a year. So I would state the average would be approximately that.