

Mr. ASHBROOK. I thank Mr. Hansan and thank the other members of the committee. I realize I have taken a great deal of time on this problem but there are a few additional points I would like to clarify. I would only conclude from my study that there are more than 110 Federal programs in Cincinnati at the present time spending upward of \$300 million in and through OEO, HEW, and the Department of Labor. I strongly urge the chairman to accede to the request of Mr. Ayres and myself and others to send a committee to Cincinnati to see first hand how this program is working in the field.

Chairman PERKINS. Let me say to the gentleman that I have never denied any member of this committee the opportunity to bring in witnesses just like you brought them in today. If you want to bring any more witnesses, you have the opportunity, but I know we can't hold this record open indefinitely. I have been on a timetable, more or less, but, if there is any other witness in Cincinnati that you want to call here yourself, you call him in and we will hear him tomorrow.

Mr. ASHBROOK. I would say respectfully that there is so much to be gained by a field hearing that it is much more important than adhering to a timetable.

Chairman PERKINS. Let me say to the gentleman we know the situation existing in this country at the present time and if we undertook to hold up the bill until we made investigations throughout this Nation, we never would get a bill this year and some of my friends would like to see that happen. If any mayor from any city, if any chief of police, or responsible individual makes the charge that employees of OEO, or local community action committees, if the OEO has any control over them, we will certainly send investigators out but we are not going to run out there at random, and I don't think any responsible person would want us to run out there and commence investigating, because we don't know where we are going. But if there are any charges along that line by responsible people, bring them before this committee and we will send investigators.

Mr. FORD. I would like to ask Mr. Ashbrook, did I understand you to say there were 110 poverty programs?

Mr. ASHBROOK. I said Federal programs. I mentioned HEW and OEO.

Mr. FORD. Funding \$300 million?

Mr. ASHBROOK. Funded for \$300 million over the years.

Mr. FORD. The point I am trying to reach is, are you suggesting that we have spent, under the legislation before this committee now, the Economic Opportunity Act and the so-called poverty program, \$300 million in Cincinnati?

Mr. ASHBROOK. No, I said all programs.

Mr. FORD. Do you have the figure we spent on Sargent Shriver's program in Cincinnati?

Mr. ASHBROOK. I could give you that but I was going to spare you.

Mr. FORD. \$300 million could scare the pants off some people and I would not like the discrimination of that figure for Cincinnati to show up in my State.

Mr. ASHBROOK. I can give you this itemization; it has the breakdown on the numbers.

Mr. FORD. Could you give us the figures for what has been spent in Cincinnati?