## TABLE I.—DESCRIPTION OF PROGRAMS BY STATES

1. State Agency Administered—Comprehensive Program:

California Michigan Oklahoma New Jersey New York Pennsylvania Connecticut Georgia Vermont North Carolina Illinois

Indiana Ohio

2. Private Nonprofit Agency Administered—Comprehensive Program:

Arkansas <sup>1</sup> New Hampshire Maine (Administered by USAF) Rhode Island

Massachusetts

3. State Agency Administered—Limited Program:

Louisiana Tennessee Virginia

4. State Agency Contract with USAF—Comprehensive Program: Alabama New Mexico Iowa South Dakota Delaware Kentucky Maryland Utah Florida

Hawaii Mississippi

5. OE Contract with USAF—Comprehensive Program:

Alaska Minnesota Oregon Puerto Rico Arizona Missouri South Carolina Colorado Montana District of Columbia Nebraska Washington Nevada West Virginia North Dakota Wyoming

6. OE Contract with USAF—Limited Program:

Louisiana Tennessee Virginia

Oklahoma 2 Texas

7. Direct State Loan Program: Plorida. Texas  $\mathbf{Wisconsin}$ North Dakota

POE contracted with USAF to operate a comprehensive program in Arkansas. Subsequently, a quasi-State agency has been established in Arkansas.

POE contracted with USAF to operate a limited program in Oklahoma. Subsequently, Oklahoma laws have been revised to make that a comprehensive program.

This situation may be attributed to several factors: many States by law or regulations guarantee loans only if they are made by lenders located within the State, and some may not guarantee loans to State residents attending school out of State. In addition, most States, due to shortages of reserve funds, do not guarantee loans to half-time students and those who do not qualify for Federal interest benefits. Many lender groups appear to be in general agreement that guaranteed loans under present economic conditions are loss loans. This, along with the burdensome paper work, is a major obstacle in preventing the program from reaching its full potential. These lenders believe that not enough consideration has been given to the costs of "paper work" of the program. Considerable communication is required among the participating groups in the making of a loan: the involve-ment of the student and his family, lending institutions, State and private guarantee agencies, colleges, universities, and the Federal Government. Expenses are particularly higher when the loan is in the repayment stage. Records must be maintained on the borrower as he moves about the country, transfers from one college to another, or enters the military service, Peace Corps, or VISTA. All of this requires considerable paper work by State and private, nonprofit guarantee agencies and lenders.

In addition to this expense, higher interest rates have destroyed the rough comparability between returns on guaranteed student loans and those on competitive uses for money. In part, the reluctance of lending agencies to participate more vigorously in the program is a reflection of the difficulties of launching a program which calls for a 6 percent interest payment and long repayment terms. Few Federal credit programs have as many prospective customers, as wide a range of