

onstrated in the small business operation, not in the short-term area normally serviced by commercial banks. Therefore, the small business operation was looked upon as a valid approach in our enterprise society. We have worked very very closely with the Small Business Administration in different types of programs. Gradually over the years they have tried new approaches, experimented and dropped some and what have you. This does not go to the heart of the question of the student loan program. If you want the loans to be made by a Federal agency directly then it is a budget appropriation. If you can get that, fine. If you want the loans to be made by SBA guaranteeing or participating with the financial institution, you are right back to the problems we are confronting here today as to how to make it attractive to the financial institutions to do so.

Mr. HATHAWAY. Thank you very much.

Thank you, Madam Chairman.

Mrs. GREEN. The meeting will be adjourned subject to the call of the Chair.

Thank you, Mr. Walker.

Mr. WALKER. Thank you, Madam Chairman.

(Whereupon, at 12:45 p.m. the subcommittee adjourned, to reconvene subject to the call of the Chair.)