

adequate for the many worthwhile needs. Since we feel that the \$200 million limit on land and water moneys is inadequate, I have the obligation to offer a possible alternative.

And here I must make a recommendation somewhat at variance with the Interior Department's recommendation. If, rather than the \$200 million limit, these moneys built the fund to \$350 million per year and if the original 60 percent State, 40 percent Federal distribution ratio were maintained, then the estimated \$660 million in local needs would be supported by a Federal allocation of \$105 million, a much more realistic and encouraging amount. Frankly, Senators, the administration's proposal to provide \$100 million for State and local needs would still leave this program largely inadequate. I am sure that the many people who have worked so hard to establish the principles which culminated in the land and water conservation fund intended it to be a more substantial force in the promotion of our nation's recreational future.

The fund is now entering its fourth year. We can report with enthusiasm that, although the dollar volume of the fund was lower than all of us had hoped, the stimulation it created back home in the cities and counties is heartwarming. As a result of this fund, the people back home are doing things—not only with the land and water money that has come to them but with their own dollars.

In summary the National Association of State Outdoor Recreation Liaison Officers, the International Association of Game, Fish, and Conservation Commissioners, and the Michigan Department of Conservation all strongly support Senate bill 1401. We respectfully recognize and appreciate the consideration that this committee has given to this subject and the most sincere and intense desire you have to assist this most important program by providing adequate funding. All of our hopes for the Nation's future in outdoor recreation depend to a large degree on the ability of the land and water conservation fund to furnish the continued stimulus to keep this Nation's recreation programs moving toward making a better tomorrow.

The CHAIRMAN. Thank you, Dr. MacMullan. I wonder, do you happen to have, or can make available to us, the amounts of money the States and territories were spending for outdoor recreation requirements prior to the enactment of the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act?

I ask this so that we can show the comparison between what was done prior to the act and what is being done now, because I think one of the important points that you have made is that it has stimulated the States to move in this area as never before. I think this would be very helpful for the record. You don't need to present it now. I assume you may not have those figures, but if you could supply that it would be informative.

Dr. MACMULLAN. I believe they are available, Senator. I think that the Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has made an estimate of this, and if it is available, we will see that it gets to you.