

...resources development in this nation with valid doubt that such change would be beneficial, particularly with respect to the civil works functions of the Corps of Engineers: Therefore be it

Resolved by Warrior-Tombigbee Development Association in Annual Meeting assembled in Mobile, Alabama, April 14, 1967, That the officers of this Association make its viewpoint known to Alabama's United States Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States and to Congressional Committees which may hold hearings on the Bill; and be it further

Resolved, That the officers of the Association be directed to alert the membership not in attendance at the meeting and to urge all members individually to express to Congressmen of their respective Districts and to Senators Lister Hill and John Sparkman, their desire that the civil works functions of the Corps of Engineers be retained under the authority of the Department of the Army.

Approved by unanimous vote of the members and of the Board of Directors present at the above mentioned Annual Meeting, April 14, 1967, Mobile, Ala.

(Signed) C. M. KILLIAN,

(For W. P. Engel, Secretary).

(Signed) R. A. PURYEAR, JR.,

Chairman-President.

EXHIBIT 14

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,

Washington, D.C. July 3, 1967.

HON. ABRAHAM RIBICOFF,

Chairman, Subcommittee on Executive Reorganization, Committee on Labor and Human Resources, U.S. Senate, and Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare, the National Science Foundation, and the Army Corps of Engineers would be transferred to the Secretary of Natural Resources.

Whether such transfers and changes should be made, and whether the manner proposed would be appropriate to accomplish the purposes of S. 886, are questions of policy as to which the Department of Justice defers to the departments and agencies that would be affected.

However, if such legislation is to be enacted, we would suggest that S. 886 follow more closely the legislation which recently created the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Department of Transportation. To do so would require some minor changes of nomenclature and of language in the transfer of functions, personnel, and assets. A member of our Departmental staff would be glad to go over these suggestions in detail with the Committee staff.

We note that section 3 provides that the Deputy Secretary of Natural Resources "shall be compensated at the rate prescribed for level II of the Executive Schedule by section 5312 of title 5 of the United States Code." Level II of the Executive Schedule is section 5313 of title 5 but the Under Secretaries of all Departments other than the Department of State, officials of comparable rank to the Deputy Secretary, are compensated at level III, covered by section 5314.

The Bureau of the Budget has advised that there is no objection to the submission of this report from the standpoint of the Administration's program.

Sincerely,

(S) RAMSEY CLARK,

Attorney General.