

mined by the Department of Agriculture based on kinds of programs that can be carried out in the District; (3) Agricultural Marketing Act for consumer education (funds are granted by USDA only on request); and (4) a capital grant of \$7,141,706 as an endowment, in lieu of land as originally granted to the 50 state land-grant colleges. This endowment is to be invested in government, state and city bonds. The interest is to be used for college instruction programs similar to programs in our state land-grant colleges.

Initially, it was my intent to designate the Washington Technical Institute as the D.C. Land-Grant College, principally because of my longtime personal interest in developing the Institute. However, my research indicates that to designate the 2-year Technical Institute would run contrary to the long-established public policy of designating 4-year institutions as land-grant recipients. The Federal City College qualifies in this respect.

Nonetheless, it is my firm understanding that the Board of Higher Education for the Federal City College intends to enter into a memorandum of agreement with the Board of the Washington Technical Institute which would delegate to the Institute course work and funds to carry out certain land-grant programs. It would be my intent, with your support, to see that this is done and is reflected in the history and report of this legislation.

The Senate passed similar legislation (S. 1999) on December 6, 1967. The Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, the Department of Agriculture, the Government of the District of Columbia, and the Bureau of the Budget, recommend this legislation for the citizens of the District.

Therefore, Mr. Chairman, I urge the Subcommittee to give this bill every positive consideration in the hope that we may see enactment before the termination of this session.

Mr. SISK. The gentleman from New York, Mr. Horton, I believe has a statement he wanted to make.

Mr. HORTON. Yes, Mr. Chairman.

I thank you for the opportunity to speak on this bill, and I, too, will make my statement as part of the record in order to conserve time.

Mr. SISK. Without objection, the statement will be made a part of the record.

STATEMENT OF HON. FRANK HORTON, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Mr. HORTON. Mr. Chairman, I was pleased to co-sponsor the bill now under consideration, H.R. 15280, along with our colleagues, Congressmen Nelsen, Mathias and O'Konski; and I am gratified that this Subcommittee has undertaken the first step toward enactment, hopefully, of this very desirable legislation.

H.R. 15280 would enable the Federal City College to be the District of Columbia recipient of the various benefits of the land-grant college acts in the same manner as the land-grant colleges of all the fifty States and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

As we all know, the first land-grant benefits were enacted more than a century ago when this nation was largely rural. We had to tame and cultivate a wilderness. At that time, Congress passed legislation to