

a measure, since it reflects the same balance between the public interest and the interests of the affected industry.

Of course, it may become necessary in the future for us to consider subsidizing the efforts made by the civil aeronautics industry to redesign its aircraft for the achievement of minimum noise levels, and also to subsidize States and municipalities in the acquisition of land for uses compatible with such noise reduction. In the meantime, however, H.R. 3400 gives the Secretary of Transportation the discretion he requires to begin, and I emphasize to begin, to make the necessary changes. There seems to be little doubt that he will exercise that discretion wisely, in such a manner as to protect the citizens oppressed by noise and the aviation industry which must inevitably bear the economic brunt of the ultimate changes which we have a right to demand.

If those who make policy, if we in Congress are vigilant, man will remain master of the machines which he devises for his self-improvement; otherwise, man will become a slave of technology, a slave of his most glorious inventions. I have come here this morning to join you in being vigilant, and to reiterate my support for H.R. 3400.

Mr. FRIEDEL. I want to thank you for a very cogent statement.

Mr. CELLER. Thank you.

Mr. FRIEDEL. Are there any questions?

Mr. Adams.

Mr. ADAMS. I have no questions, Mr. Chairman. I would just like to recommend to everyone that they read the statement, and to say how much we appreciate your coming over this morning, Mr. Chairman, to be with us. We enjoyed your statement.

Mr. CELLER. Thank you very much, sir.

Mr. FRIEDEL. Our next witness will be Mr. Thomas P. Callaghan, assistant to the executive director of the Massachusetts Port Authority.

We have one of our distinguished members on the full committee from your State who would like to say a few words, Congressman Hastings Keith.

STATEMENT OF HON. HASTINGS KEITH, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF MASSACHUSETTS

Mr. KEITH. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

It is good to see you here, Tom.

It was nice of your Washington staff to alert me to the importance of this problem, and the fact that you were going to testify.

We will rely heavily on the information gained by the experience which Boston has had, and is currently having.

I appreciate the fact that Chairman Friedel, who has Friendship Airport as one of his prime concerns, recognizes my similar concern for local problems that assures sympathetic attention to the testimony that you offer regarding the problem which confronts you.

We have in Boston an airport that certainly rivals Friendship. I am glad to see such "friendship" between the committee chairman and Boston.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Mr. CALLAGHAN. You have been most helpful, Congressman. Thank you.

Mr. FRIEDEL. Please proceed, Mr. Callaghan.