

It would allow federal agencies to admit State and local employees to federal training programs, and to provide additional assistance for those employees who administer federal grant-in-aid programs.

Across America, many men and women of skill and vision work in State houses and city halls.

Their knowledge and experience can help us. And we are prepared to bring the special experience of federal employees to the local level.

The Intergovernmental Manpower Act would allow federal workers to take assignments in State and local governments for periods up to 2 years, with full protection of job rights and benefits. In addition, the federal agencies would be able to accept State and local employees for assignments of equivalent periods.

The proposal, I believe, fills a vital need. The mutual interchange of ideas and perspectives will benefit all echelons of government.

TEXT OF EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE ACT, H.R. 8715

A BILL To establish in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare a program of grants and fellowships to improve the education of students attending institutions of higher education in preparation for entrance into the service of State, local, or Federal governments, and to attract such students to the public service, and for other purposes

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Education for the Public Service Act".

TITLE I—GRANTS AND CONTRACTS TO STRENGTHEN AND IMPROVE EDUCATION FOR THE PUBLIC SERVICE

SEC. 101. The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (hereafter in this Act referred to as the "Secretary") is authorized to make grants to or contracts with institutions of higher education, or combinations of such institutions, to assist them in planning, developing, strengthening, improving, or carrying out programs or projects (a) for the preparation of graduate or professional students to enter the public service or (b) for research into, or development or demonstration of, improved methods of education for the public service. Such grants or contracts may include payment of all or part of the cost of programs or projects such as—

- (1) planning for the development or expansion of graduate or professional programs to prepare students to enter the public service;
- (2) training and retraining of faculty members;
- (3) strengthening the public service aspects of courses or curricula leading to a graduate or professional degree;
- (4) establishment, expansion, or operation of centers for study at the graduate or professional level (but not including payment for construction or acquisition of buildings);
- (5) conduct of short-term or regular session institutes for advanced study by persons engaged in, or preparing to engage in the preparation of students to enter the public service;
- (6) carrying out innovative and experimental programs of cooperative education involving alternate periods of full-time or part-time academic study at the institution and periods of full-time or part-time public service; and
- (7) research into, and development of, methods of training students or faculty, including the preparation of teaching materials and the planning of curriculum.

The Secretary may also make grants to other public or private nonprofit agencies and organizations, including professional and scholarly associations, or contracts with public or private agencies or organizations, to carry out the purpose of this section when such grants or contracts will make an especially significant contribution to attaining the objectives of this section.

APPLICATION FOR GRANT OR CONTRACT; ALLOCATION OF GRANTS OR CONTRACTS

SEC. 102. (a) A grant or contract authorized by section 101 may be made only upon application to the Secretary at such time or times and containing such in-