

It is a great pleasure for me to be here with this distinguished lady this morning. This bill is the most important bill that will come before the U.S. Congress outside of the direct defense expenditures to defend this country.

We all want to see these programs expanded and improved. It is a pleasure for me to welcome you Kentuckians here, all distinguished educators. Dr. Oswald is listed first. He is an outstanding gentleman. I notice that Dr. Oswald represents the National Association of State Universities.

Dr. Oswald came to Kentucky at a time when they needed a great educational leader. He has done a magnificent job as president of the University of Kentucky. That great university continues to grow and expand and improve the quality of education under his leadership.

We have another distinguished educator from the Eastern State University, Dr. Robert Martin. He has been in the field of education for many years and has served as State superintendent of public instructions of the State department of education.

His institution has expanded about 300 or 400 percent since he has been president.

Another gentleman, the new president of Pikeville College, recently made a 4-year college at Pikeville, Ky., is also with us. Not only is Dr. Johns a great educator but he happens to be one of America's most outstanding athletes, an all-American football player. That is showing up in the way he is administering the college at Pikeville. I am glad to say he is a great administrator and I am glad to see that college grow. It is in my congressional district.

I am glad to welcome all you distinguished gentlemen this morning. We will be anxious to hear from you. This bill will be the first major bill out of this committee this year.

Mrs. Green, we are going to lay the vocational education legislation aside until we get this bill completely marked up and ready for the floor.

Mrs. GREEN. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

Dr. Oswald, you may proceed as you wish.

STATEMENTS OF DR. JOHN W. OSWALD, PRESIDENT, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY, CHAIRMAN, LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND LAND-GRANT COLLEGES ON BEHALF OF THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE UNIVERSITIES AND LAND-GRANT COLLEGES AND THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; DR. CURLEY, VICE PRESIDENT AND FINANCIAL OFFICER, UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY; DR. ROBERT MARTIN, PRESIDENT, EASTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY, BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES; AND DR. THOMAS JOHNS, PRESIDENT, PIKEVILLE COLLEGE, PIKEVILLE, KY.

Mr. OSWALD. Thank you, Mrs. Green.

Madam Chairman, Mr. Perkins, members of the committee, first let me say, on behalf of my colleagues from Kentucky, how greatly pleased we are to be invited to testify here this morning, and how aware