

Our distinguished colleague, Congressman Kuykendall, will introduce the next witness. We are pleased to have our colleague with us at the committee here and are delighted that you will introduce our next witness.

STATEMENT OF HON. DAN KUYKENDALL, A REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS FROM THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. It is a real privilege to be with the subcommittee for a few moments, and a particular privilege to introduce a man who for several reasons, I think, is peculiarly qualified to testify on this particular bit of legislation.

I think he is qualified for several different reasons.

First, if not foremost, is the fact that our city and area of Memphis is very much a regional city, probably more so than any major city outside of the crowded area of the eastern seaboard, where within 125 miles of our city we have five States. And we have run into problems of Hill-Burton, because of implications of not getting benefits from a regional concept.

We proudly announce that Memphis is a major medical center around our fine university. And Dr. Cannon himself is one of the outstanding surgeons and, maybe more particularly pertinent to this hearing, one of the major contributors to medical education in the whole Nation, having been one of the leaders in the field of medical education for quite some years.

So it is a privilege to introduce my fellow Memphian, a good friend and a leading educator, Dr. Bland Cannon, of Memphis.

Reluctantly, I have to leave now, and go to my committee.

Mr. ROGERS. We understand.

Dr. Cannon, we are pleased to have you and welcome you to the committee.

I understand you have an associate, Dr. Henry Brill.

Dr. CANNON. Yes. I would like to ask Dr. Ruhe, Dr. Brill, and Mr. Harrison to accompany me to the witness table.

Mr. ROGERS. We welcome all of you to the committee and will be pleased to receive your testimony. It is my understanding, Dr. Cannon, that you are representing the American Medical Association in giving your testimony.

STATEMENTS OF DR. BLAND W. CANNON, MEMBER OF COUNCIL ON MEDICAL EDUCATION, AND DR. HENRY BRILL, MEMBER OF COMMITTEE ON ALCOHOLISM AND DRUG DEPENDENCE, AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION; ACCOMPANIED BY BERNARD HARRISON, DIRECTOR, LEGISLATIVE DEPARTMENT, AND DR. WILLIAM RUHE, DIRECTOR, DIVISION OF MEDICAL EDUCATION

Dr. CANNON. That is correct, Mr. Chairman.

I am a practicing neurological surgeon and a member of the American Medical Association's Council on Medical Education.

With me to present the views of the American Medical Association on H.R. 15758 is Dr. Henry Brill, of Brentwood, N.Y. Dr. Brill is chairman of the AMA's Committee on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence.