

Labor, on-the-job training contracts, nursing refresher contracts, and under the recent Heart, Cancer and Stroke legislation we have a full-time staff working on this very point of increasing the numbers and the quality of hospital personnel available to man the hospitals we are contemplating building.

The fourth point I call to your attention is the point made by Mr. Whitener that there was within his own environment a \$10 million bond issue floated to meet the needs above the needs provided by the Hill-Burton legislation. I would like to call your attention to an amendment which we are asking in the legislation here, that there be a comparable addition to the existing legislation of some \$40 million. And if I may, would you be good enough to turn to the second sheet of the spread sheet which shows that while local hospitals under H.R. 6526 would receive upward of \$2,052,000 in grant, there still remains a total of \$44,700,000 yet to be received in order to make these hospitals operate. In Mr. Whitener's home environment the \$10 million bond issue was set forth by the government to meet this very classification, this requirement, in addition to the donations from the local population.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

Furthermore, as was set forth in the hearing on the legislation on the Senate side, I ask that the amendments suggested by Secretary Cohen be added to the bill and that the adjustments in the language of the Senate Bill be accomplished in the House in H.R. 6526 as follows:

First, since the first fiscal year for which appropriations would be authorized has already ended, an appropriate modification should be made in section 2 of the bill.

Second, to conform to the provisions of Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1966, the reference to "the Surgeon General" in section 3(d) should be changed to "the Secretary".

There are three other specific amendments I would like to call to your attention.

For clarity of intent Section 2, line 2 on page 2, should also include the terms "and medical centers".

Mr. SISK. You are talking about the House bill now?

Mr. BUCHER. Yes, sir.

Mr. SISK. Would you repeat that last statement? It is on line 2 of page 2?

Mr. BUCHER. Yes. For clarity of intent, after the word "hospitals" add "and medical centers".

Again, Mr. Gude asked Dr. Grant what type of facilities we are talking about. I do agree that we might put in the definition as it stands now.

Also, for a similar purpose, on line 3 page 2, add the words "and medical" before the term "centers".

Again these are polishing amendments that should make clear the question raised about Children's Hospital and its construction.

The fourth amendment is in accordance with the national legislation revisions in process in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. We would like on line 13, page 2, after the words "Title VI", add "and Title VII" so it would read "Title VI and Title VII". This