

are involved. This is why I believe that it is important to conduct the research and the demonstrations needed to discover, test, and cost out the approaches to improving the water quality of the Nation's lakes.

And if we were to prorate the amount of money we request in this authorization which would be \$10 million, on a 4-year basis, or a total of \$40 million, we are actually talking about approximately \$10 a lake. I am told that we have about 100,000 small lakes in America. So we are talking about an investment of but \$10 a lake, or a total of \$40 over a 4-year period to provide this Nation with the opportunity to best evaluate the best way of rehabilitating destroyed bodies of water, such as the one I referred to.

The Secretary of the Interior had the occasion to pay a visit to particular bodies just a month or two ago. He agreed wholeheartedly with respect to the necessity of this tool within our Federal structure to provide communities the opportunity to proceed with the costly rehabilitation process.

Gentlemen, again I appreciate the opportunity to appear before you this morning.

Mr. DORN. Congressman Hanley, on behalf of the committee, certainly on behalf of the chairman, I want to express to you our appreciation for a very splendid and timely statement. I can assure you that your bill, the one you introduced, will be very seriously and earnestly considered.

I might say, while you are still in the witness chair, that we are happy this morning in committee to have a group of young Americans with us from Briarcliff College, Briarcliff men in New York.

If your friends and visitors would just stand for a second, I would appreciate it. We are delighted to have you. Would you stand, up, please? [Applause.]

Mr. DORN. You have in the committee here Congressman McCarthy, from New York, Congressman McEwen down there, and Congressman Jim Hanley is in the witness chair. We have just had the great, distinguished Governor from New York. So we are happy on your visit here the first time to have so many friends on the committee with us today.

I might say Congressman Hanley's statement certainly should appeal to each of you, because this deals with tomorrow, cleaning up our streams and lakes so that you can use them.

Thank you so much for coming.

Any questions of Mr. Hanley?

Mr. CLAUSEN. Mr. Chairman, I just want to say I appreciate your statement, Mr. Hanley.

Mr. CRAMER. Very greatly.

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I would just raise the question for the committee's consideration. It appears to me the present language of the present law is actually broad enough to cover any body of water and of course the basin plans. You have to include all lakes for the basin planning aspects of it and the general grant authority for demonstration projects related to lakes or rivers. So I think it is an excellent objective, but I just wonder if the present law does not cover it?