

Mr. CRAMER. If you can make that decision locally, fine. I do not want the Federal Government dictating that for each community must be the condition.

Mr. BASFORD. Our new philosophy in the new government is that user charges will be paid.

FEDERAL REVENUE BONDS

Mr. CRAMER. I just have one other question due to the time problem. You make a very interesting observation on page 7 in your alternative plan, paragraph 1, advantages of plan, second sentence:

Bonds sold by the Federal Government to provide funds for the program would be taxable by the Federal Government.

In other words, I gather it is your observation that if they like this nonexempt bond approach, let the Federal Government go into it, not force the local communities into it. That is the point you are making, is it not?

Mr. BASFORD. Yes, sir.

Mr. CRAMER. I just do not think the Treasury would go for that. I think they would change their mind about the tax.

Mr. EDMONDSON. The gentleman from Texas.

POLLUTION FROM FEDERAL INSTALLATIONS

Mr. ROBERTS. I have one question that would relate to the pollution contributed to our problem down there by the Federal Government. What about your defense establishments and so on? What percentage are they contributing in the polluting, and what are they paying for?

Mr. BASFORD. Yes, sir. This is an interesting point. We have been assured continuously, particularly during our legislative hearings when I was in the legislature that our local military establishments have very modern up-to-date treatment facilities. Recently our water and air pollution control commission cited these establishments. We found that two of them were very, very offensive—the Naval Air Station, and also we have these carriers based at Mayport, you know, which do not treat their facilities. And they are working on a plan now whereby there may be some system of transferring this effluent and waste to a ground establishment from these ships.

They are completely trying to cooperate; but, yes, sir, there is a tremendous amount being contributed by them in our particular community, but I did not want to get too involved in just my local problems because I am supposed to be representing 3,000 other governments here today. I want to try to represent them here too.

Mr. ROBERTS. I think in many cases, Mr. Chairman, the Federal Government has contributed to the pollution without any effort to control its own waste. I wanted to bring that point out.

Mr. BASFORD. Thank you, Congressman Roberts.

RETIREMENT OF CLARENCE DOANE

Mr. EDMONDSON. Before I recognize the next member for questions—and there are several other questions—I would like to take this