

I think the provision of this Act may well knock a reservist out of group insurance benefits. Of course, that depends on the policy he would have.

I know that in liability policies, automobile liability policies, it is generally provided that the liability carrier has no responsibility for one who is injured in the course of his employment, and so on.

I wish you would give us information on this. I do not believe we have a probability of a reserve police officer getting benefits from Federal Employment Compensation Act when he is acting as a reserve officer and from his private and government employment at the same time.

Mr. MOYER. I believe as far as other government employment is concerned there is already provision in the bill saying that this will be the only compensation received.

We will address ourselves to that in our memorandum to you.

Mr. WHITENER. It would be nice if he could get both if he is a public spirited reservist, but I do not think it can be done. If he helps Chief Layton do his job and somebody clobbers him over the head I would like to see him get more than 66 and two-thirds percent of a police private, first class, pay.

Mr. GUDE. I would just like to commend the Lieutenant for his fine public service to the community without pay. It makes me even more enthusiastic as co-sponsor of the bill, which I would not be if I did not have confidence in Mr. Murphy and Chief Layton.

I think it is a wonderful thing you have done for the community.

Lt. FLETCHER. Thank you, sir.

Mr. WHITENER. If there is any way you can figure out some language which would help these folks get more than that 66 and  $\frac{2}{3}$  percent, all right.

A reservist might well be making \$16,000 a year in his regular Federal employment but yet if he gets injured when he is out here as a patriotic and dedicated citizen serving in the Reserve Police Force he can get only his compensation based on this police private first class base.

Mr. STEIGER. I am in complete sympathy with the Chairman's point of view.

I would submit that for 18 years these gentlemen have had no protection, so this is a great advantage at this time and perhaps a modest first step would be in order before we attempt to achieve——

Mr. WHITENER. We tried a first step several years ago and we did not have the cooperation of the District Government then as we have it now. I am delighted with this.

Mr. FRASER. I would think that with respect to people who work for the Government we could by law provide they would not be disqualified from the other benefits. It would be only in the case of private employment with private insurance where I doubt that by law we can rewrite their contracts for them.

Mr. WHITENER. Off the record.

(Discussion held off the record.)

Mr. FRASER. Mr. Moyer, would you indicate what the possibility might be of writing a provision or an amendment to this bill which would provide that a reservist who is injured in the course of his duty as a reservist could elect to take whichever benefits would be higher,