This Bill would give statutory authority for the operation of the Reserve Corps which now numbers approximately seven hundred members. It also would provide statutory authority for training, suspension and dismissal of Reserve Officers, and controlling the possession, carrying, and use by Reserve Officers of weapons while serving in limited law enforcement duties.

This legislation, in my view, would be of assistance to the Metropolitan Police Department in our overall law enforcement efforts and I therefore recommend

the favorable consideration of this Bill by your Committee.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN B. LAYTON, Chief of Police.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT, $July\ 10,\ 1968.$

Mr. James T. Clark, Clerk, House District Committee, Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. CLARK: Pursuant to your request by telephone, made to Lieutenant William F. Sturgeon, Jr., Personnel Division, on July 9, 1968, the attached information relative to the number of separations and the number of appointments insofar as the Metropolitan Police Force is concerned for the Fiscal Year 1968, is forwarded.

You also requested information regarding our Police Cadet Program. The Police Cadet Program was initiated in March of 1965. This Program is for young men from seventeen and a half to twenty-one years of age. Upon reaching twenty-one years of age, they are sworn in as Police Officers. In March of 1965, the Department was authorized twenty-five Police Cadets. In November of 1966, the Department was authorized thirty-five; and in November of 1967, an additional twenty-five. This brings our present authorized strength to one hundred and six. At the present time, we have one hundred Police Cadets in operation; six on Military Leave; and nineteen have been appointed as Metropolitan Police Officers.

Trusting this information will be helpful to you, I am,

Sincerely yours,

JOHN B. LAYTON, Chief of Police.

GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA-METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

	Month		Resigna- tions	Retire- ments	Transfer to White House	Dismis- sals	Deceased	Appoint- ments	Actual strength
			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)
August September October November			12 9 9	19 12 6		i	41 1	25 10 15 13 24	1 2, 739 2, 725 2, 725 2, 725
			5 6	12 11 10			2	24 26	2, 725 2, 719 2, 725 2, 735
February March April May			9 4 7	10 11 8	7 .		2 1	81 59 65 73 50	2,795 2,830 2,879
			16	17 17 12	2	1 1 1	1	73 50 66	2, 830 2, 879 2, 920 2, 934 2 2, 968
Subtotals		111	145	21	4	. 8	507		
Less total separations, cols. (A) through (E) Total net gain for the year								289 218	

¹ Actual strength, July 1967. ² Actual strength, June 1968.

Note: The total authorized strength during the above period (fiscal year 1968) was 3,100.