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COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
SUBCOMMITTEE ON INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS

Actions Taken Thursday, March 11

I. Duration of the program

Motion-Ia to extend program 1-3/4 year--defeated 9-4

Motion-Ib to extend program 3-3/4 year--passed 7-6

Final action taken: Program to be extended for 3-3/4 years (January 1, 1977 - September 30, 1980). NOTE: Fountain, Fuqua, and minority members supported 5-3/4 extension.

II. Level of Funding

Motion-IIa to continue program at present level with an annual increment of $150 million--defeated 7-5

Motion-IIb to freeze program at the current level of funding with no annual increment. However, if the formula is modified then additional funds will be made available to "hold harmless" the losing governments--passed 7-5

Final action taken: No annual incremental increase. Program frozen at approximately 6.5 billion for its entire duration. The only way to increase funding is to change the formula, thereby necessitating additional "hold harmless" funds. Staff indicates that Democrats are considering raising the 145 percent ceiling to 300 percent which would require an additional to "hold harmless" the losing governments.

VOTES

	Ia	Ib	IIa	IIb
Fountain	N	N	Y	N
Brooks	Y	Y	N	Y
Fuqua	N	N	N	Y
Mezvinsky	N	Y	N	Y
Jordan	Y	Y	N	Y
Burton	Y	Y	N	Y
Drinan	Y	Y	N	Y
*English	N	Y		
Levitas	N	Y[1]	N	Y
Wydler	N	N	Y	N
Brown	N	N	Y	N
Steelman	N	N	Y	N
Horton	N	N	Y	N

*absent--voting by proxy

[1]agreed to support 3-3/4 only if this issue could be reviewed after bill has been drafted. Indicated that a longer period might be desirable if a good bill is produced.

Lay out what city has done with Gen. Rev. S.

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