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AN ACT

To provide for a White House Conference on Education.

White House Conference on Education.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That appropriations are hereby authorized, as set forth in sections 2 and 3, to enable the President to hold in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, before November 30, 1955, a conference broadly representative of educators and other interested citizens from all parts of the Nation, to be called the White House Conference on Education, to consider and report to the President on significant and pressing problems in the field of education.

GRANTS FOR STATE CONFERENCES ON EDUCATION

SEC. 2. (a) To assist each State to bring together, prior to the White House Conference on Education, educators and other interested citizens to discuss educational problems in the State and make recommendations for appropriate action to be taken at local, State, and Federal levels, there is hereby authorized to be appropriated the sum of $1,000,000. Sums appropriated pursuant to this section shall be allotted to the States on the basis of their respective populations according to the latest figures certified by the Department of Commerce, except that no State's allotment shall be less than $15,000.

(b) The Commissioner of Education shall pay, through the disbursing facilities of the Treasury Department, its allotment to each State which, through its Governor or other State official designated by the Governor, undertakes to accept and use the sums so paid exclusively for the purpose set forth in subsection (a), and to make a report of the findings and recommendations of the State conference for use of the White House Conference on Education. Sums appropriated pursuant to this section shall remain available until December 31, 1955, and any such sums remaining unpaid to the States or unobligated by them as of that date shall be returned to the Treasury.

Report.

Availability.

FEDERAL ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

Commissioner of Education.

SEC. 3. There are also authorized to be appropriated to the Commissioner of Education for the fiscal years ending June 30, 1955, and June 30, 1956, such sums as Congress determines to be necessary for the administration of this Act, including the expenses of the Office of Education in making available to the public the findings and recommendations of the conference. The Commissioner of Education is also authorized to accept funds, equipment, and facilities donated for purposes of the conference and to use the same in accordance with such purposes.

Donations.

DEFINITION OF STATE

SEC. 4. For the purpose of this Act the term "State" includes the District of Columbia, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands.

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