

women at the naval base on Aquidneck Island. But there are limits to these relationships. It is unreasonable to expect local taxpayers to increasingly subsidize the education of military students.

Even with full funding of impact aid, Middletown Public Schools still experience over a \$4 million loss in tax revenue from land occupied by the Navy instead of private housing or businesses. With this year's reductions, a bad situation will become undoubtedly worse.

Mr. Speaker, the choice is ours. We can fund the future of America's students today or be prepared to pay the costs of uneducated and unskilled work force tomorrow.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

SPEECH OF

HON. NICK J. RAHALL II

OF WEST VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, August 2, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2127) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes:

Mr. RAHALL. Mr. Chairman, I am deeply concerned over the impact of funding cuts in title I compensatory education programs contained in this bill.

In West Virginia, in my district alone, title I children will lose more than \$5 million in the coming year—and much more over 7 years.

Let me tell you about Kimball Elementary School, in Welch, WV, McDowell County. At this school, there are 350 children dependent upon title I remedial education services so that they will learn to read and to do math at their appropriate age and grade levels.

Of the 19 schools in McDowell County, and of the 6,900 children in those schools, 4,700 of those children are eligible for title I services based on the low income of their families, and based on the breadth and scope of distress in the county—which still has double-digit unemployment rates, and most families live well below the poverty level.

McDowell County children will lose \$565,700, over \$½ million, of their title I funds in fiscal year 1996.

Kimball Elementary School spends a mere \$94,000 a year on children—not just elementary-age children in need of services, but on dropouts who are brought back to school and guided to graduation.

Teen mothers are brought back to school to complete their high school degrees. I am told by the title I director at Kimball Elementary School that five of those teen mothers are now in college, and one of them is on the dean's list.

How's that for a success story for title I program services to children at risk of growing up and leaving school unable to read or compute, or write?

Mr. Chairman, don't vote for this bill that cuts 1.2 billion out of title I—affecting 1.1 mil-

lion children nationwide. Just think of the 350 kids at Kimball Elementary School who need only a mere \$94,000 a year.

Think of how it will affect 4,700 children in McDowell County West Virginia, who may grow up illiterate, without high school degrees, without these extraordinary remedial education services.

Vote "no" on H.R. 2127.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

SPEECH OF

HON. PATRICIA SCHROEDER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, August 2, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2127) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes:

Mrs. SCHROEDER. Mr. Chairman, it is an outrage this issue is even being discussed. It shows how far backward the Republicans are willing to push women. It winks at rape and incest victims, saying too bad. To say in 1995 that rape and incest victims are at the mercy of where they happen to live. They have to be very careful where they live if they think they'll be raped. This is ludicrous.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 1996

SPEECH OF

HON. RONALD D. COLEMAN

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, August 2, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2127) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996, and for other purposes:

Mr. COLEMAN. Mr. Chairman, I would like to go on record by stating my opposition to the removal of all \$193 million for title X of the Public Health Service Act and the transfer of those funds to maternal and child block grants and community migrant health centers. The services provided by the family planning program reduce the amount of people on welfare, reduce the amount of unintended pregnancies, and reduce the spread of sexually transmitted diseases. An estimated 4 million patients, primarily low-income women and adolescents, receive services through more than 4,000 title X clinics nationwide. Since the creation of title X funding in 1970, there has been a decline in unintended pregnancies, particularly among teenagers. In addition, nearly 1 in 4 American

women who use a reversible form of contraception rely on a publicly funded source of care. It is estimated that, if these services were not available, women would have between 1.2 and 2.1 million unintended pregnancies a year instead of the 400,000 now currently experienced. However, my colleagues have seen fit to eliminate a program that saves this country money and promotes our public health.

Title X funding provides training for nurse practitioners, clinical personnel, educational programs for family planning, exams, counseling, contraceptives, and screening for sexually transmitted diseases. The effect of this measure, in my district alone, will be calamitous. One hospital in El Paso receives about half a million dollars from title X funds annually. This hospital provides services to about 5,000 women. These women will be left with only one limited alternative—to seek health care at Planned Parenthood. The El Paso Planned Parenthood has indicated that its services are stretched to its capacity right now. Therefore, the potential that these 5,000 women will go without the necessary care is great.

Not only will lack of services affect my community severely, so will the loss of jobs due to the reduction of title X funds. El Paso Job Corps would be required to cut staff due to this reduction.

This type of action is simply dangerous to Americans and communities like El Paso. The transfer of funds to block grants certainly does not guarantee that the money will be spent for the purposes of sound family planning or that poor communities will receive their fair share of the funds. I understand that every public dollar spent for family planning services under the current title X saves an estimated \$4.40 in medical welfare, and nutritional services provided by Federal and State governments. As a nation, we either pay the cost now and provide these women with the health care they need, or we will undoubtedly pay later and at a quadrupled rate.

[From the White House Office of Media Affairs]

HOUSE REPUBLICANS CUT \$36 BILLION FROM CURRENT EDUCATION AND TRAINING INVESTMENTS

ESTIMATED STATE-BY-STATE REDUCTIONS FROM FY 1995 FUNDING LEVELS FOR EDUCATION AND TRAINING FOR FY 1996-2002 BASED ON ACTION BY THE HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

Alabama	\$575 million
Alaska	102 million
Arizona	524 million
Arkansas	317 million
California	4.3 billion
Colorado	457 million
Connecticut	325 million
Delaware	88 million
Florida	1.5 billion
Georgia	805 million
Hawaii	98 million
Idaho	137 million
Illinois	1.5 billion
Indiana	639 million
Iowa	357 million
Kansas	321 million
Kentucky	520 million
Louisiana	789 million
Maine	157 million
Maryland	540 million
Massachusetts	884 million
Michigan	1.3 billion
Minnesota	530 million
Mississippi	472 million
Missouri	669 million
Montana	141 million