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Possible Compromise Package

Status of ACTION programs and CCC

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Kassebaum Substitute would repeal these separate programs after two years and delegate to the Corporation authority for the Corporation to make proposals for either continuing or discontinuing the programs at that time. This proposal would take effect unless Congress passed a joint resolution of disapproval within a limited time period.

Possible compromise:

- (1) Sunset all affected programs in three years.
- (2) Require Corporation to implement the new program with the objective of maximum integration.
- (3) After two years require the Corporation to report to Congress on whether the maintenance of separate programs is an obstacle to coordination or whether separate program promotes accessibility and program differentiation in a positive way.
- (4) Require Congress to address legislatively the issue of whether or not to repeal the pre-existing programs at the time of reauthorization rather than through a disapproval vote on a Corporation recommendation.

Structure of Divisions

S. 919 would establish two divisions, with former ACTION programs being maintained in one division and the new program being maintained in a separate division.

The Kassebaum substitute would establish divisions so that stipended activities would be in one division and non-stipended positions in another.

Possible compromise:

- (1) During transition period maintained divisions as outline in S. 919.
- (2) Require the Corporation to come up with a plan by the end of eighteen months to reorganize in a manner which would promote maximum integration and coordination of all program activities, to take effect at the start of the third fiscal year after the establishment of the Corporation.

Educational Awards

S. 919 establishes a basic educational award of \$5,000 for each term of service.

The Kassebaum Substitute would establish a basic award of \$1,500 for a full term of service or \$750 for part-time service.

Possible compromise:

- (1) Provide for a basic benefit as provided for in S. 919.
- (2) Provide authority for alternate benefit levels for up to 1,000 positions in the first year; 2,000 positions in the second year and 3,000 in the third year.
- (3) Require corporation in its two year report to Congress to evaluate the experience with alternate benefit structures, comparing specifically recruiting and program performance experience.

States Rights and State Structure

S. 919 establishes a system of state commission decision making within the context of federal priorities and corporation approval of state plans.

The Kassebaum Substitute would give states the ability to set priorities, subject to corporation approval, and would limit the applicablilty of federal priorities to direct federal grants, and possibly, competitive state grants.

Possible Compromise:

- (1) Provide for state priorities for the one-third formula share, subject to Corporation approval, requiring that state commissions explain proposals that are inconsistent with federal priorities.
- (2) Apply federal priorities to remaining direct and competitive funding.
- (3) Make corporation representative on state commissions ex officio.
- (4) State commission strategic plan for former ACTION programs would be required part of planning process.

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