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the same manner as allotments to States under section 103, except that for the purposes of this section, there shall be no reservation of 10 per centum of such remainder for research and training programs and 100 per centum of the amount of the remainder of the amount appropriated pursuant to this section shall be allotted among the States."

(b) Section 161 of such Act is amended by striking out subsection (b) and by redesignating subsection (c) and subsection (d) of such section as subsection (b) and subsection (c), respectively.

**PART K. SPECIAL PROJECT GRANTS TO ASSIST IN OVERCOMING SEX BIAS**

Sec. 199. Authorization of Appropriations.

There are authorized to be appropriated, to carry out the purposes of this part, \$5 million for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1976 and ending July 1, 1977, and for each subsequent fiscal year.

Sec. 199 A. Program Authorization

(a) The Commissioner is authorized to pay the Federal share of supporting activities which show promise of overcoming sex stereotyping and bias in vocational education.

(b) The Federal share shall not exceed 75 per centum of the cost of the application.

By Mr. MONDALE:

S. 2604. A bill entitled the "Adoption Information Exchange Act of 1975." Referred to the Committee on Labor and Public Welfare.

Mr. MONDALE. Mr. President, I am introducing today a bill which would authorize creation of a national adoption information exchange in the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

This is a bill which was passed by the Senate in the 93d Congress but was not enacted because it was part of a bill which was never reported from conference committee.

If anything, the need for this legislation is better documented now than it was then.

For nearly a year the Subcommittee on Children and Youth, of which I am chairman, has been looking into adoption and foster care practices in this country. We have learned that there are more than 100,000 youngsters available for adoption who do not have permanent homes. And we have also learned that there are thousands of American families who are eager and able to provide loving homes for these youngsters.

One reason that these families and children are not being brought together is that we simply do not have an effective national system for making these placements. Some States and cities and some private agencies have done a masterful job of bringing these youngsters together with families. Even in cases where a child is older, or handicapped, or from a minority group, it is clear that successful placement can occur if a family is provided with the necessary supportive resources.

This bill has the support of a broad range of organizations which are members of the adoption and foster care cluster of the National Council of Organizations for Children and Youth. I ask unanimous consent that the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2604

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of*

*America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "Adoption Information Exchange Act of 1975".*

The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare is hereby authorized to provide information, utilizing computers and modern data processing methods, through a national adoption information exchange system to assist in the placement of children awaiting adoption and in the location of children, including cooperative efforts with any similar programs operated by or within foreign countries, and such other related activities as would further or facilitate adoptions.

There are authorized to be appropriated \$1,000,000 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1976, and such sums as may be necessary for succeeding fiscal years, to carry out this section.

By Mr. HATHAWAY:

S. 2606. A bill to provide for the establishment of a National Center for Statistical Analysis of Highway Operations. Referred to the Committee on Public Works.

Mr. HATHAWAY. Mr. President, I am introducing a bill to establish a National Center for Statistical Analysis of Highway Operations within the Department of Transportation. In 1973 Congress recognized the need for such a center to provide current and comprehensive data to support highway safety programs, and to insure that safety moneys will be spent on programs which will yield the greatest results. In the 1973 Highway Act, we directed the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to do a feasibility study of such a Center, and in February of this year, NHTSA released its report. The feasibility and the utility of such a center, with a wide range of responsibilities, was affirmed in the NHTSA report to Congress. My legislation implements the finding of this report and directs that a national center be established within NHTSA to acquire, coordinate and analyze data bases for highway safety purposes.

Since 1966, the Federal Government has participated actively in the area of highway safety. Despite this activity, however, the human and financial cost of maintaining our automobile dominated society remains unacceptably high. In 1972, NHTSA estimated the annual financial cost of all motor vehicle accidents at over \$46 million, in addition to the human loss of 55,000 lives and the injury of some 3,800,000 people. Although the death rate fortunately declined in 1973, presumably as a result of the energy crisis and the subsequent decline in highway travel, indicators for this year are that these beneficial aspects of the energy crunch were temporary; 1975 highway accident figures are largely increasing over those of 1974.

A national center, with high visibility within NHTSA, can provide needed data and analytical support for ongoing highway safety programs at all levels of government and private activity. Although we presently have broad indicators of the dimension of the highway safety problem—such as the number of people killed and injured per year, the correlation of the use of drugs and alcohol to the occurrence of accidents—standardization and more detailed analysis of our data is needed to determine the actual causes of highway accidents, and to point the way toward the most efficient

means of reducing the accident statistics.

The center, an orderly and coordinated outgrowth of work currently being done throughout various Government agencies, will be an invaluable tool in providing an accurate foundation for ongoing and future highway safety efforts.

I ask unanimous consent that the bill be printed in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the bill was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

S. 2606

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be cited as the "National Center for Statistical Analysis of Highway Operations Act of 1975".*

SEC. 2. (a) The Secretary of Transportation shall establish within the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration a National Center for Statistical Analysis of Highway Operations and through such center shall acquire, store, retrieve and analyze highway accident data and promote the standardization of information and procedures for reporting accidents on a nationwide basis.

(b) Such center shall—

(1) be established and expanded according to a phased and justified growth plan from the existing statistical and analytical effort within the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration;

(2) be initiated on a modest basis working initially to develop a few key data bases in order to facilitate future data base development by the experience gained with the initial bases, and expanded as justified by user demands;

(3) function as a complete service and support organization and liaison for the highway safety community;

(4) make major use of statistical sampling methods in obtaining nationally representative data, including maximum utilization of existing national and other statistical center services and facilities;

(5) cooperate with various State and other Federal agencies in a Federal-State-local cooperative program in order to promote definition and standardization of data requirements for the various government levels;

(6) aid in identification of problem areas and provide information for countermeasure development to remove or lessen the consequences of such accidents;

(7) assist in evaluation of existing and proposed countermeasures, including cost evaluation of those measures and the development of alternative measures;

(8) produce statistical and analytical reports on a continuous periodic basis which portray the magnitude and nature of the national highway safety problem; and

(9) maintain an adequate staff to develop, implement, and maintain improved national data bases and related services and otherwise carry out the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 3. The Secretary of Transportation shall establish an Advisory Board for the National Center for Statistical Analysis of Highway Operations. Such Board shall be made up of representatives of public and private entities which use such National Center and shall serve to advise on and to promote the proper utilization of the Center's services and data by appropriate public and private entities.

SEC. 4. In carrying out the provisions of this Act the Secretary shall—

(1) establish appropriate procedures and mechanisms to assure the protection of individual privacy; and

(2) make an annual report to the Congress summarizing current achievements, fully detailing and justifying any request for additional resources, and containing a report