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AN ACT

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To encourage expansion of teaching in the education of mentally retarded children through grants to institutions of higher learning and to State educational agencies.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Commissioner of Education is authorized to make grants to public or other nonprofit institutions of higher learning to assist them in providing training of professional personnel to conduct training of teachers in fields related to education of mentally retarded children. Such grants may be used by such institutions to assist in covering the cost of courses of training or study for such personnel and for establishing and maintaining fellowships, with such stipends as may be determined by the Commissioner of Education.

Education of mentally retarded children.

SEC. 2. The Commissioner of Education is also authorized to make grants to State educational agencies to assist them in establishing and maintaining, directly or through grants to public or other nonprofit institutions of higher learning, fellowships or traineeships for training personnel engaged or preparing to engage in employment as teachers of mentally retarded children or as supervisors of such teachers.

Grants for fellowships.

SEC. 3. Payments of grants pursuant to this Act may be made by the Commissioner of Education from time to time, in advance or by way of reimbursement, on such conditions as the Commissioner may determine. Such payments shall not exceed \$1,000,000 for any one fiscal year.

Payments.

SEC. 4. Each State educational agency and each public or other nonprofit institution of higher education which receives a grant under this Act during a fiscal year shall after the end of such fiscal year submit a report to the Commissioner of Education. Such report shall contain a detailed financial statement showing the purposes for which the funds granted under this Act were expended.

Report to commissioner of Education.

SEC. 5. For purposes of this Act—

Definitions.

(a) The term "nonprofit institution" means an institution owned and operated by one or more corporations or associations no part of the net earnings of which inures, or may lawfully inure, to the benefit of any private shareholder or individual.

(b) The term "State educational agency" means the State board of education or other agency or officer primarily responsible for State supervision of public elementary and secondary schools in the State.

SEC. 6. The Commissioner of Education is authorized to delegate any of his functions under this Act, except the making of regulations, to any officer or employee of the Office of Education.

SEC. 7. This Act shall continue in effect until a date ten years after the date of the enactment of this Act.

Effective date.

Approved September 6, 1958.