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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

typal worker his employer, and the community

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Mr. Ryan introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor

A BILL COMMENT

To provide for the establishment of a Council to be known as the "National Advisory Council on Migratory Labor".

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That (a) there is hereby established a Council to be known
 - 4 as the "National Advisory Council on Migratory Labor"
- 5 (hereinafter referred to as the "Council"). The Council
- 6 shall be composed of fifteen members, appointed by the
- 7 President without regard to political affiliations as follows:
- 8 (1) Four individuals, appointed from private life,
- 9 to represent the farmer;

(2) Four individuals, appointed from private life, 1 to represent the migratory agricultural workers; 2 (3) Two individuals, appointed from private life, 3 who shall have a demonstrated interest in and knowl-4 edge of the problems relating to migratory agricultural 5 labor, including the problems of the migratory agricul-6 tural worker, his employer, and the community; 7 (4) Two individuals, appointed from private life, 8 9 who are or have been actively engaged in activities 10 aimed at determining and solving the health, education, 11 and welfare problems of the migratory agricultural 12 worker and his family; and (5) Three individuals who have had experience as 13 State officials and who are knowledgeable of the prob-15 lems relating to migratory agricultural labor. (b) Members of the Council shall be appointed for the life of the Council. A vacancy in the Council shall not affect its powers, but shall be filled in the same manner in which 19 the original appointment was made. 20 (c) The President shall designate one of the members 21 of the Council as Chairman, and one as Vice Chairman. 22 Eight members of the Council shall constitute a quorum. 23 (d) Service of an individual as a member of the Council 24 or employment of an individual by the Council as an at-

torney or expert in any business or professional field, on a

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- 1 part-time or full-time basis, with or without compensation,
- 2 shall not be considered as service or employment bringing
- 3 such individual within the provisions of sections 281, 283,
- 4 284, 434, or 1914 of title 18 of the United States Code,
- 5 or section 190 of the Revised Statutes (5 U.S.C. 99).
- 6 (e) Members of the Council shall each be entitled to
 - 7 receive \$50 per diem when engaged in the actual perform-
 - 8 ance of duties vested in the Council, including travel time,
 - 9 and while away from their homes or regular places of busi-
- 10 ness may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in
- 11 lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the Adminis-
 - 12 trative Expenses Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 73b-2) for persons
 - 13 in the Government service employed intermittently.
 - 14 (f) The Council shall meet at the call of the Chairman
 - 15 or at the call of a majority of the members thereof, but not
 - 16 less often than once each calendar year.
 - 17 SEC. 2. (a) The Council shall have a staff director who
 - 18 shall be appointed by the Chairman without regard to the
 - 19 civil service laws and the Classification Act of 1949, as
 - 20 amended. The staff director shall have such duties as may
 - 21 be imposed by the Council, and shall be compensated at a
 - 22 rate not to exceed \$18,000 per annum.
 - 23 (b) The Council shall have the power to appoint and
 - 24 fix the compensation of such personnel, as it deems advisable,

- 1 without regard to the provisions of the civil service laws and
- 2 the Classification Act of 1949, as amended.
- 3 (c) The Council may procure, in accordance with the
- 4 provisions of section 15 of the Administrative Expenses Act
- 5 of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 55a), the temporary or intermittent
- 6 services of experts or consultants; individuals so employed
- 7 shall receive compensation at a rate to be fixed by the Coun-
- 8 cil, but not in excess of \$50 per diem, including travel time,
- 9 and while away from their homes or regular places of busi-
- 10 ness may be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in
- 11 lieu of subsistence, as authorized by section 5 of the Ad-
- 12 ministrative Expenses Act of 1946 (5 U.S.C. 73b-2) for
 - 13 persons in the Government service employed intermittently.
- 14 SEC. 3. (a) It shall be the duty of the Council to advise
- 15 the President and the Congress, with respect to (1) the
 - 16 operation of Federal laws, regulations, programs, and poli-
- 17 cies relating to any and all aspects of migratory agricultural
- 18 labor; and (2) any and all other matters relating to migra-
- 19 tory agricultural labor.
- 20 (b) It shall also be the duty of the Council to con-
- 21 sider, analyze, and evaluate the problems relating to migra-
 - 22 tory agricultural labor with a view to devising plans and
- 23 making recommendations for the establishment of policies
 - 24 and programs designed to meet such problems effectively.

- 1 In carrying out such duty, the Council shall consider, among
- 2 others, the following matters:
- 3 (1) The effect of existing laws, regulations, pro-
- 4 grams, and policies on the various problems relating to
- 5 migratory agricultural labor, including the problems of
- 6 the migratory agricultural worker, his employer, and
- 7 the local area in which he is employed; and
- 8 (2) The means for improved coordination of Fed-
- 9 eral, State, county, and local policies and programs re-
- 10 lating to migratory agricultural labor.
- 11 (c) The Council shall, on or before March 31 of each
- 12 calendar year, submit an annual comprehensive report of its
- 13 findings and recommendations to the Secretary of Labor
- 14 for transmission by him to the President and to the Congress.
- 15 SEC. 4. The Council shall cease to exist upon the expira-
- 16 tion of five years from the date of the initial appointments
- 17 to the Council made by the President under this Act.
- 18 Sec. 5. There are hereby authorized to be appropriated
- 19 such sums as may be necessary, not to exceed \$50,000 in any
- 20 fiscal year, to carry out the provisions of this Act.