A BILL

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

1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

2. 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 research in, or 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.

Sec. 2. The Commissioner of Education is also author-
ized 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.

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 con-
ditions as the Commissioner may determine.

Sec. 4. For purposes of this Act—

(a) The term "nonprofit institution" means an institu-
tion 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. 5. 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.