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Page 7, strike out line 2, and insert in lieu thereof the following:

"not exceed" and inserting in lieu thereof "$20,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, $25,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, and such sums as may be necessary for the fiscal years ending September 30, 1979, and September 30, 1980."

**AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS**

**PURPOSE:** To authorize funds to carry out the programs administered by the Arts Endowment and the Humanities Endowment.

It should be noted that the amendment would authorize less in FY'77 than is presently authorized in the law for FY'76; proposed by the original bill; and proposed by the Administration's bill.

The amount authorized for FY'78 is identical to that authorized in present law and is identical to the Administration's proposal and the original bill.

For the last two fiscal years (FY'79 and FY'80) the authorization of "such sums" is continued as in the original bill. The Administration requested $113.5 million for three years terminating in FY'79.

With regard to the treasury funds which must be matched by private contribution, the amendment would authorize $5 million less than the original bill; the present authorization; and the Administration's proposal for FY'77.

Here again the Administration proposed a three year authorization
and the Committee proposes a four year authorization. The attached table will compare authorizations and appropriations for FY'76 to the budget and proposed authorizations for FY'77.