

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

August 30, 1976

The Speaker of the  
House of Representatives

Sir:

I ask the Congress to consider an amendment to the request for appropriations for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$279,000,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The details of this proposal are set forth in the enclosed letter from the Director of the Office of Management and Budget. I concur in his comments and observations.

Respectfully,



Enclosure



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

August 30, 1976

The President

The White House

Sir:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration an amendment to the request for appropriations for the fiscal year 1977 in the amount of \$279,000,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

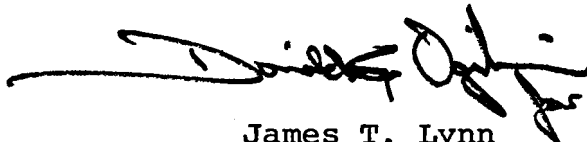
OFFICE OF EDUCATION

Budget appendix page	Heading	1977 request pending	1977 proposed amendment	1977 revised request
349	Higher education (In the 1977 appropriation language under this heading delete "\$1,100,000,000" and insert in lieu thereof \$1,379,000,000:)	\$1,994,251,000	\$279,000,000	\$2,273,251,000

This program has become the principal source of Federal support for postsecondary student financial aid. The proposed increase will meet the Administration's continued commitment to full funding for the basic educational opportunity grant program. The original fiscal year 1977 budget request for the academic year 1977-78 assumed a participation rate of 59 percent. However, the experience of fiscal year 1976 has led to a revised estimated participation rate of 74 percent.

I have carefully reviewed this amendment and am satisfied that this request is necessary at this time. I recommend, therefore, that this proposal be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James T. Lynn", written over a horizontal line.

James T. Lynn  
Director