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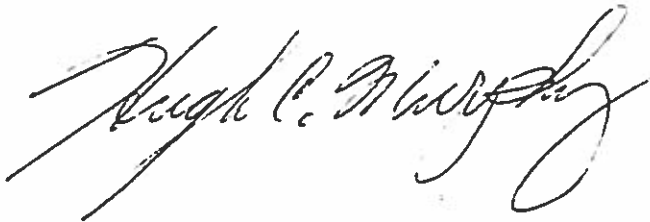
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Purpose - To re-emphasize the Bureau's Policy on the promotion and establishment of State Apprenticeship Agencies in all States and Territories of the nation and to cooperate with such established agencies in the promotion of apprenticeship standards.

Background - The National Apprenticeship Act (50 Stat. 663; 29 USC 50) states in its first paragraph "That the Secretary of Labor is hereby authorized and directed to formulate and promote the furtherance of labor standards necessary...to cooperate with State agencies engaged in the formulation and promotion of standards of apprenticeship..."

Section I-"Policy" of the Handbook for the Bureau of Apprenticeship and Training, Statement Number 19 - State Apprenticeship Agencies - pages 34 and 35, details the Bureau's policy in this activity.

Action - Each member of the BAT staff will positively and vigorously support and promote this policy. Assistance is available for this effort from the Office of Special Activities.



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