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MUSKIE ANNOUNCES SUBCOMMITTEE STAFF CHANGE

Senator Edmund S. Muskie (D-Maine), chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, announced today that Edwin W. Webber, staff director of the Subcommittee, has resigned, effective May 1, 1971, to return to private life.

In accepting Mr. Webber's resignation, Senator Muskie said: "I regret your decision to leave the Subcommittee, but I understand and appreciate your desire to make a change after years of Federal service in the executive and legislative branches of government. You have made a substantial contribution to the work of our subcommittee in developing more effective approaches to Federal grant-in-aid programs, the Uniform Relocation Assistance Act, and the Intergovernmental Personnel Act. Your work on revenue sharing and the problems of grant consolidation will bear fruit long after your departure from the Subcommittee. I wish you well in your new endeavors and I look forward to working with you again in the future."

In his letter of resignation, Mr. Webber wrde: "I am pleased to have contributed to the establishment of a solid base for improved Federal-State-Local relations -- a base which will continue to grow. I am equally pleased to have had the opportunity to work with you in this important area of public policy.

"Your legislation concerning uniform relocation assistance, and a strengthened system of intergovernmental personnel programs is landmark legislation by which the best interests of the nation will always be served."

Mr. Webber has been staff director of the Subcommittee since December 1968.

Prior to joining the Subcommittee, he was Director of the Office of Area Planning in the Economic Development Administration.

Mr. Webber will be succeeded as staff director by Mr. Tyrone Brown. Mr. Brown, an attorney, has practed law in Washington with the firm of Covington & Burling. He served as law clerk to Chief Justice Earl Warren during the 1967 term. Mr. Brown will join the Subcommittee staff as Special Counsel on March 15, serving in that capacity until May 1.

Mr. Brown in married to the former Carolyn Jean Thompson. He and Mrs. Brown and their son, Christopher, live in Washington, D. C. Mr. Brown is a native of East Orange, New Jersey, and a graduate of Hamilton College and Cornell University Law School.

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