June 14, 1966

Hon. William Bates Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir -

As one of your constituents I'm asking you to try and see that Bill H.R. 14765 does not become a law. We've lost too many of our freedoms already to minorities. It seems to open the way for personal spite to harass an individual.

Sincerely

Judiciary - Civil Rights HR 14765

June 21, 1966

Salisbury, Massachusetts 01952

Dear

I very much appreciate your communication in regard to your opposition of the Civil Rights Bill.

Last week the Subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee reported out the Civil Rights Bill to the full Committee, however, it made no recommendations concerning Title IV, to which I presume you are referring. I understand the full Committee is meeting in Executive Session this week to consider the entire measure, and until I know specifically what its recommendations will be, I will not be in a position to exercise a judgment on this matter. I can say, however, that I do not favor Title IV as it is presently written. As you may already know, Chairman Collar is being urged by many of his colleagues in the Congress to omit Title IV altogether. On the other hand, he is also being urged by the Administration to get it passed.

Incidentally, the Senate Judiciary Committee is holding bearings on this legislation and perhaps you would like to make your views known to the two U.S. Senators.

Thanking you for contacting me on this vital issue, and with kind regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

William H. Bates