House recommends aid cuts

By Jack Link

The House Committee on the Budget has proposed cutting $200 million from the Carter administration's request for higher education programs in fiscal 1981.

The committee, chaired by Representative Robert N. Giamo (D-N.Y.) and $40 million for the upcoming year. Even if the Republicans were to pass this portion of the Carter administration's request for higher education programs in fiscal 1981, the cut would affect the 1981-82 budget, the resolution also calls for raising the $180 million in student grants for 1980, which covers next year.

Representative Giamo of Financial Aid, expressed both his surprise at the proposal and doubt that it would pass. "Everything is already allocated in Basic Educational Opportunity,"

Richardson said that the small number of women in technical schools "is not an MIT problem — it's a nationwide problem." He added, "The only way to increase the number of women in MIT is to increase the number of women in the technical professions."

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