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The collection consist of reports, committee lists, legislative bills and acts, memorandums, letters, news articles and editorials, publications, agendas, fact sheets, and other printed materials. The material relates to Allan Cohen's role as the Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for the creation of a Department of Education under President Carter. The collection covers such topics as the Development of the H.R. Bill for an Education Cabinet Secretary, and the S. 201 Act for the Organization of the Department of Education. The series also contains some information on the possible dismantling of the Department of Education during the Reagan transition.

Creator Information: Allan S. Cohen

Allan S. Cohen was the Director of the Washington D.C. Office of the Illinois State Board of Education, 1977 to 1987. In this capacity he served as a liaison to the U.S. Congress, all Federal departments, and national associations. He was also Chairman of the Ad Hoc Committee for a Cabinet Department of Education (Department of Education Coalition). From 1982 to 1987 he served as Executive Director of the National Trust for Public Education, and he served as Consultant to the President of the Close-up Foundation, 1981 to 1985.

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Persons: Allan S. Cohen

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Scope and Content: Containers 1-23. This series was opened in March 2017. This series contains reports, committee lists, legislative bills and acts, memorandums, letters, news articles and editorials, publications, agendas, fact sheets, and other printed materials. This collection contains material related to Allan Cohen's work on the creation of the Department of Education with the Ad Hoc Committee for a Cabinet Secretary of Education and on the Secretary of Education's transition team. Arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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