

O'Keefe Raps Kohn Charge As 'Injustice'

Metropolitan Crime Commission managing director Aaron M. Kohn's allegation of "conflict of interest" against City Councilman Maurice E. "Moon" Landrieu has been criticized by State Sen. Michael O'Keefe.

O'Keefe called the charge "a travesty of justice—a terrible injustice" to Landrieu.

SPEAKING before the Louisiana Association of Broadcasters convention at the Downtown Motor Hotel, O'Keefe said that Landrieu is "the finest man I've ever met and an outstanding public official."

The senator said that Landrieu has done many things to move the state forward and has received little credit for it. "It is absolutely irresponsible that he gets a big build-up in such an instance as this."

"Gov. McKeithen thinks something has to be done about this smear," said O'Keefe, a substitute at the last minute for the governor, who was slated to address the convention.

The convention concludes today.

Grand Jury Awaits Kohn Testimony

The Orleans Parish Grand Jury is scheduled to resume its investigation into charges of organized crime here next week and will again hear testimony from Metropolitan Crime Commission Managing Director Aaron M. Kohn.

Kohn spent more than five hours with the jury yesterday. Dist. Atty. Jim Garrison convened the investigation following nationally publicized charges of syndicated crime in the New Orleans area.

Garrison, who denies there is organized crime in Orleans Parish, did not participate in questioning Kohn yesterday. The job was left to assistants.