Gurney to Testify Before Grand Jury

MIAMI, Dec. 8 (AP)—Federal lawyers say they've accepted an offer by Sen. Edward J. Gurney to appear before a grand jury probing \$300,000 in unreported funds collected in his behalf.

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"According to the senator, he is anxious to appear and tell his story," Assistant U.S. Attorney Bruce Wagner said. "Well, we're glad to give him the opportunity."

Wagner said the Florida Republican's appearance would be voluntary and that he had not been subpoenaed. No date for the testimony was set.

Gurney could not be reached for comment, but at a news conference Thursday, he said, "I wish the grand jury would request my appearance. I'm per-

fectly willing to tell everything I know."

The grand jury is investigating a claim by Larry Williams that he raised money for Gurney by pressuring builders seeking Federal Housing Authority contracts.

Gurney said during the news conference that Williams had been hired by friends in January 1971 "without my knowledge."