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Fletcher, U. S. Labor Aide, May Run Against Jackson

OLYMPIA — (UPI) — United States Assistant Labor Secretary Arthur Fletcher is considering the possibility of seeking the Republican nomination to oppose Senator Henry M. Jackson, Washington Democrat, next year, it was reported today.

In addition, sources close to the man who last year became the first black ever to win nomination for a statewide office in Washington State said Fletcher has been approached about the possibility of his seeking California's 7th Congressional District seat.

Fletcher, in a telephone interview, said he has had "several inquiries, direct and indirect," from both sides of the political fence" about running against Jackson.

Despite a statement that he has not given the suggestion "any serious thought," Fletcher admitted he would be "ready to talk seriously about it" if he could be assured of a war chest of between \$50,000 and \$100,000 and sufficient campaign support in terms of workers.

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