Turnabout Riegle rouses Kennedy fever

U.S. Sen. Donald Riegle predicted a Ted Kennedy candi-dacy for president within a month. He also called the Carter Administration's performance on the energy prob-lem 'dismai' before a subtrohan audience this week. Riegle, Michigan's senior senator, surprised the Livonia Chamber of Commerce breakfast meeting with his blunt criticism of Carter, who headed the Democratic ticket when Riegle was elected in 1976. Admitting he had no inside information, Riegle never-theless said he believed Kennedy, D-Mass, will decide within a month to make a bid against the Democratic White House incumbent.

RIEGLE SAID Kennedy is "moving measurably" into the White House race and is considering several factors that will bear on his decision. One is that the Democratic Party will have 24 of its 34 seats up for revelection in 1930 when Carter is expected to run for a second term. Wilk Carter's low support in the national polis, there is a possibility some of those senate Democrats may be defeated.

defeated. Riegle said that Kennedy, with 16 years in the Senate, is hard-working and serious and could bring many talented people to the administration as president. But Gov. Jerry Brown of California is also in the race, Riegle

said. said. The only thing that could prevent Kennedy from getting into the race is a "breakthrough on the issues" that would improve Carter's standing in the polls. Currently, only 25 percent of those polled believe the president is doing a good job.

REGLE WAS critical of Carter's handling of the energy prob-lem. The federal Department of Energy has had 19,000 employ-ees and a 10-9 billion budget since it was created in early 1977, he said. Naming James Schlesinger as DOS secretary was "one of the worst mistakes" Carter has made, the senator claimed. He said DOB has a "dismal performance" and "It's a mess." Although there has been a lot of study and work on the energy problem, it is hard to get accurate information from the energy department.



SEN. DONALD RIEGLE Running from Carter?

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Energy Department, Ruegie sau. THE SENATOR also expressed sympathy for Chrysler Corp., the nation's third largest auto maker. Chrysler is asking up to \$1 binging tension of the second second second second second tension of the second second second second second second Chrysler provides 800,000 jobs, and its closing would have an \$11 billion inpact on the federal budget. That would consist of \$9 billion in lost taxes and \$2 billion in welfare and unemployment transfer payments. Riegie said. Chrysler has 80,000 employees are in the Detroit region. He said a Chrysler const the would be a "devastating blow" to Michigan and that Gov. William Milliken is becoming more aware of the problem as it relates to the state's economic and tax situation.

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