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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H. R. 17503--Rehabilitation Act and Randolph-Sheppard Act Amendments--which extends through fiscal year 1976 and increases the appropriation authorizations of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; mandates administration of the Act in the Office of the Secretary of HEW and amends the Act in other respects; expands the priority, scope, and income of the blind vendor program under the Randolph-Sheppard Act; authorizes a White House Conference on Handicapped Individuals.

The President has signed H. R. 342--D. C. miscellaneous omnibus bill--which will authorize the District of Columbia to enter into contracts with other states based on the Interstate Agreement on Qualification of Educational Personnel, amend the Practice of Psychology Act, and allow the D. C. Court of Appeals to review decision of the Unemployment Compensation Board.

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