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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H. R. 14401 which authorizes military band recordings in support of the American Revolution Bicentennial. Existing law prohibits enlisted members of the Armed Forces from being ordered or allowed to leave their posts to engage in civilian pursuits, whether for remuneration or otherwise, if such activities interfere with the normal employment of civilians in their usual line of work. The Department of Defense has held that this restriction prohibits the military bands from making recordings for commercial sale. The bill provides a special one-time exception to the current statutory restriction

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