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Office of the White House Press Secretary

NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. 1466 - National Consumer Health Information and Health Promotion Act of 1976.

This bill authorizes HEW to conduct a new health information and health promotion program; extends through fiscal year 1978 and expands existing communicable disease, venereal disease and lead-based paint poisoning prevention programs.

S. 1466 will:

- extend for three years and expand the program of grants for the control and prevention of a number of communicable diseases, e. g., venereal diseases, rat control, and immunization,
- extend the lead-based paint poisoning prevention program through fiscal year 1978 and redefine the responsibilities of the agencies involved in administering that program, and
- authorize grants and contracts in the area of health education, and require the establishment of an Office of Health Information and Health Promotion in HEW.

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