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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed S. 1365 which would eliminate a restriction on the use of certain lands patented to the city of Haines, Alaska.

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The President has signed H. R. 2749 which would name a portion of the site of the Anthony J. Celebrezze Federal Building in Cleveland, Ohio, the "George Washington Square." H. R. 4206 which would name the new Federal building in Albuquerque, New Mexico, the "Senator Dennis Chavez Federal Building." H. R. 14977 which would name the Federal office building in Athens, Georgia, the "Robert G. Stephens, Jr. Federal Building." H. R. 15582 which would name the Federal building in Bluefield, West Virginia the "Elizabeth Kee Federal Building."

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The President has signed H. R. 11347 which authorizes the Administrator of GSA to convey, without compensation, the Federal Government's full title and interest in 0.48 acres of land to the Shriners' Hospitals for Crippled Children.

The bill also establishes in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare, an independent Office of Inspector General to:

- assume primary responsibility for HEW's auditing and investigative activities,
- prevent and detect fraud and abuse in HEW programs, particularly in the Medicaid/Medicare, renal disease and maternal and child health programs, and
- promote economy and efficiency in the administration of HEW programs.

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