

## HIGHLIGHTS

- DOL issues final rules on CETA extension (7).
- HUD announces expansion of the urban homesteading program (19).
- ORS gives final date for revenue sharing allocation and entitlement determinations (5).
- FCC proposes rules on the Federal-State/local regulatory relationships in CATV (12).
- HEW issues final rules implementing the runaway youth program (10).

## ADMINISTRATIVE

*Federal Register: December 7, 1976*

No items of interest.

*Federal Register: December 8, 1976*

- (1) AIR QUALITY: EPA issued a final rules on California's air quality implementation plan. 40 CFR 52 p. 53661-62.
- (2) CHILD ABUSE: HEW/Office of Human Development issued final miscellaneous revisions for the Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention and Treatment Program. 45 CFR 1340 p. 53663.
- (3) DEFERRALS: OMB gave notice of four new deferrals totalling \$3.7 billion, including \$2.919 million to the unemployment trust fund and other funds of the Employment and Training Administration in the Department of Labor. p. 53745-52.

*Federal Register: December 9, 1976*

- (-4) JUVENILE DELINQUENCY: DOJ issued the following correction on regulations concerning youth offenders and juvenile delinquents. See ALH 152, item (28). Item A of the Salient Factor Score is corrected as follows:

Item A:

No prior convictions (adult or juvenile)	3
One prior conviction	2
Two or three prior convictions	1
Four or more prior convictions	0

28 CFR 2 p. 53811.



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- (5) REVENUE SHARING: Treasury/ORS gave notice that the final date for the determination of allocations and entitlements (including adjustments thereto) applicable to Entitlement Periods Seven and Eight will be December 31, 1976. Allocations will be closed for Entitlement Period Eight on December 31, 1976 for recipient governments but will give effect (to the extent provided by law and regulations) to demands by recipient governments or the Secretary up to and including September 30, 1978 to make adjustments for their payments for Entitlement Period Eight. p. 33882.

*Federal Register: December 10, 1976*

- (6) CATV: FCC issued final rules altering cable television reporting requirements. 47 CFR 76 p. 53995-96.
- (7) EMPLOYMENT/CETA: DOL issued final rules implementing the Emergency Jobs Program Extension Act (PL 94-444). 29 CFR 94, 95, 96, 98, 99 p. 54065-78.
- (8) TRANSPORTATION/RAILROADS: DOT/FRA issued final miscellaneous amendments to section 511 of the Railroad Revitalization and Regulatory Reform Act of 1976 PL 94-210 as amended by the Rail Transportation Improvement Act (PL 94-555). 49 CFR 260 p. 53996-4000.

*Federal Register: December 13, 1976*

- (9) ENVIRONMENT: EPA gave notice that they are in conformance until OMB Circular A-90 establishing Federal policy on information and computer requirements of state and local governments, and cited the appropriate regulations (40 CFR 51.7, 142.15, 124.23, 35.559). p. 54212.
- (10) RUNAWAY YOUTH: HEW/Office of Human Development issued final rules covering the runaway youth program authorized under Title III of the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act of 1974 (PL 93-415). 45 CFR 1351.
- (11) TRANSPORTATION/HIGHWAYS: DOT/FHWA issued final rules reflecting the statutory changes governing the transfer of apportionments among the Federal-aid systems effected by section 113 of the Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1976 (PL 94-280). 23 CFR 160 p. 54169.

*Federal Register: December 14, 1976*

- (12) CATV: FCC proposed rules governing compliance certificate applications and Federal-State/local regulatory relationships in cable television. Comment period ends 1/31/77. 47 CFR 76 p. 54506.
- (13) SOCIAL SECURITY/TITLE XVI: HEW/Social and Rehabilitation Service issued final rules implementing section 402 (a) (24) of the Social Security Act as amended by section 414 of PL 92-603, the Social Security Amendments of 1972. This statutory provision specifies that a recipient of benefits under title XVI, (Supplemental Security Income for the Aged, Blind and Disabled) shall not be regarded as a member of the AFDC family for purposes of determining the amount of benefits of the family, and his income and resources shall not be counted as income and resources under title IV-A (Aid to Families with Dependent Children-AFDC). 45 CFR 233 p. 54489-90.

## Department News:

- (14) CRIME/JUVENILE: LEAA announced that \$10 million in funds will be made available to support innovative programs to prevent juvenile delinquency. Interested applicants can obtain guidelines from state criminal justice planning agencies, LEAA regional offices, or the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, LEAA, 633 Indiana Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20531. (DOJ 77-023) December 3, 1976.
- (15) EDUCATION/BILINGUAL: HEW/Commission of Education announced that 31 State Education Departments have received a total of \$1.2 million to coordinate technical assistance to Federally funded bilingual education projects. A list of the grants by states for 1976-77 is included. (HEW-H45) December 8, 1976.
- (16) ENVIRONMENT/CLEAN AIR: EPA released a study on the progress made in cleaning up America's air. A copy of the report, *National Air Quality and Emissions Trends Report, 1975*, is available free from the Monitoring and Data Analysis Division, Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27711. (R-324) December 8, 1976.
- (17) ENVIRONMENT/NOISE: FAA has scheduled a hearing for January 17 in Washington, D.C. on the EPA noise abatement proposal. According to the EPA proposal (published in *Federal Register*, 11/22/76), all noise plans would be due not later than July 1, 1979. (76-118) December 14, 1976.
- (18) HOUSING/NEIGHBORHOOD PRESERVATION: HUD and Commerce/BLS jointly released the results of a survey of various neighborhood services. Between the neighborhood services of public transportation, shopping facilities, and schools, public transportation was mentioned the most often as being inadequate. The low income households felt that inadequate shopping facilities were a problem. Neighborhoods were rated as good or excellent by 82 percent of those surveyed. However, low income households gave lower ratings than higher income households. Copies of the report: *Financial Characteristics by Indicators of Housing and Neighborhood Quality for the United States and Regions: 1974*, are available for \$4.50 from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D.C. 20402.
- (19) HOUSING/URBAN HOMESTEADING: HUD announced that the urban homesteading program will be expanded to additional cities. Secretary Hills also announced that an additional \$3.535 million in substantially sound Federal housing and an extra \$4.425 million in low cost rehabilitations loans are being allocated to 23 cities already participating in the urban homesteading program. Some of the cities include the following: Baltimore, Atlanta, Chicago, Columbus, and Kansas City. See also ALH 151 item (5) and ALH 148 item (30). (HUD 76-401) October 29, 1976.
- (20) REGIONALISM: Commerce announced that from 1970 to 1975 the South's population increased by 5.3 million. After the South, the West had the next largest gain, increasing its population by 3 million over the same five year period. The net migration statistics show that 16 states and Washington, D.C. lost more people than they gained through migration, while 34 states made a net population gain. Tables of the population change in the fifty states and the twenty SMSA's are included. (CB 76-252) November 24, 1976.

*Department News:*

- (21) TRANSPORTATION/UMTA: DOT/UMTA reprinted correspondence between James J. McDonough, Chairman of the American Public Transit Association (APTA) and Robert E. Patricelli, UMTA Administrator, concerning recent criticism on urban transit bus procurement. APTA accused UMTA of being the "root cause" behind the bus procurement problems because of its "interpretation of federal policies and procurement regulations." UMTA believes it has worked with APTA on this problem as evidenced by its R & D program to bring buses of advanced design into the marketplace. In response to APTA criticism, UMTA stated that they are taking action to reduce the application backlog. Part of the blame must also be put on those applicants with approved grants that have not yet acquired their buses. Much of the APTA criticism dealt with UMTA's effect on bus manufacturers and their need to be more responsive. (UMTA 76-121) November 12, 1976.
- (22) TRANSPORTATION/UMTA: DOT/UMTA announced the development of a film documenting four innovative public transit concepts in four small cities. The film is entitled "Transit Options for Small Communities." It depicts the following:
- Fixed-Route in Westport, Connecticut; Route Deviation in Merrill, Wisconsin; Dial-a-Ride service in Merced, California, and Subsidized Shared Taxi in El Cajon, California. Copies are available from Broadcast/Audio Visual Division/OST (S-83), U.S. Department of Transportation, 400 7th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20590. (UMTA 76-128) December 2, 1976.

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activities in Washington.

In City Council,  
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