

Public Law 94-317
94th Congress

An Act

To amend the Public Health Service Act to provide authority for health information and health promotion programs, to revise and extend the authority for disease prevention and control programs, and to revise and extend the authority for venereal disease programs, and to amend the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act to revise and extend that Act.

June 23, 1976

[S. 1466]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

TITLE I—HEALTH INFORMATION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

SHORT TITLE

SEC. 101. This title may be cited as the "National Consumer Health Information and Health Promotion Act of 1976".

AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT

SEC. 102. The Public Health Service Act is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new title:

"TITLE XVII—HEALTH INFORMATION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

"GENERAL AUTHORITY

"SEC. 1701. (a) The Secretary shall—

"(1) formulate national goals, and a strategy to achieve such goals, with respect to health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

"(2) analyze the necessary and available resources for implementing the goals and strategy formulated pursuant to paragraph (1), and recommend appropriate educational and quality assurance policies for the needed manpower resources identified by such analysis;

"(3) undertake and support necessary activities and programs to—

"(A) incorporate appropriate health education components into our society, especially into all aspects of education and health care,

"(B) increase the application and use of health knowledge, skills, and practices by the general population in its patterns of daily living, and

"(C) establish systematic processes for the exploration, development, demonstration, and evaluation of innovative health promotion concepts;

"(4) undertake and support research and demonstrations respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

Public Health Service Act, amendments; Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Act, extension. National Consumer Health Information and Health Promotion Act of 1976. 42 USC 201 note.

42 USC 300u.

"(5) undertake and support appropriate training in, and undertake and support appropriate training in the operation of programs concerned with, health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

"(6) undertake and support, through improved planning and implementation of tested models and evaluation of results, effective and efficient programs respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

"(7) foster the exchange of information respecting, and foster cooperation in the conduct of, research, demonstration, and training programs respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

"(8) provide technical assistance in the programs referred to in paragraph (7); and

"(9) use such other authorities for programs respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care as are available and coordinate such use with programs conducted under this title.

Administration.
42 USC 300k-2.

The Secretary shall administer this title in a manner consistent with the national health priorities set forth in section 1502 and with health planning and resource development activities undertaken under titles XV and XVI.

42 USC 300k-1,
300o.
Appropriation
authorization.

"(b) For payments under grants and contracts under this title there are authorized to be appropriated \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1977, \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1978, and \$14,000,000 for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1979.

Grant or contract.

"(c) No grant may be made or contract entered into under this title unless an application therefor has been submitted to and approved by the Secretary. Such an application shall be submitted in such form and manner and contain such information as the Secretary may prescribe. Contracts may be entered into under this title without regard to sections 3648 and 3709 of the Revised Statutes (31 U.S.C. 529; 41 U.S.C. 5).

"RESEARCH PROGRAMS

42 USC 300u-1.

"SEC. 1702. (a) The Secretary is authorized to conduct and support by grant or contract (and encourage others to support) research in health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care. Applications for grants and contracts under this section shall be subject to appropriate peer review. The Secretary shall also—

"(1) provide consultation and technical assistance to persons who need help in preparing research proposals or in actually conducting research;

"(2) determine the best methods of disseminating information concerning personal health behavior, preventive health services and the appropriate use of health care and of affecting behavior so that such information is applied to maintain and improve health, and prevent disease, reduce its risk, or modify its course or severity;

"(3) determine and study environmental, occupational, social, and behavioral factors which affect and determine health and ascertain those programs and areas for which educational and preventive measures could be implemented to improve health as it is affected by such factors;

"(4) develop (A) methods by which the cost and effectiveness of activities respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care, can be measured, including methods for evaluating the effectiveness of various settings for such activities and the various types of persons engaged in such activities, (B) methods for reimbursement or payment for such activities, and (C) models and standards for the conduct of such activities, including models and standards for the education, by providers of institutional health services, of individuals receiving such services respecting the nature of the institutional health services provided the individuals and the symptoms, signs, or diagnoses which led to provision of such services;

"(5) develop a method for assessing the cost and effectiveness of specific medical services and procedures under various conditions of use, including the assessment of the sensitivity and specificity of screening and diagnostic procedures; and

"(6) enumerate and assess, using methods developed under paragraph (5), preventive health measures and services with respect to their cost and effectiveness under various conditions of use.

"(b) The Secretary shall make a periodic survey of the needs, interest, attitudes, knowledge, and behavior of the American public regarding health and health care. The Secretary shall take into consideration the findings of such surveys and the findings of similar surveys conducted by national and community health education organizations, and other organizations and agencies for formulating policy respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care.

Survey.

"COMMUNITY PROGRAMS

"SEC. 1703. (a) The Secretary is authorized to conduct and support by grant or contract (and encourage others to support) new and innovative programs in health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care, and may specifically—

42 USC 300a-2.

"(1) support demonstration and training programs in such matters which programs (A) are in hospitals, ambulatory care settings, home care settings, schools, day care programs for children, and other appropriate settings representative of broad cross sections of the population, and include public education activities of voluntary health agencies, professional medical societies, and other private nonprofit health organizations, (B) focus on objectives that are measurable, and (C) emphasize the prevention or moderation of illness or accidents that appear controllable through individual knowledge and behavior;

"(2) provide consultation and technical assistance to organizations that request help in planning, operating, or evaluating programs in such matters;

"(3) develop health information and health promotion materials and teaching programs including (A) model curriculums for the training of educational and health professionals and paraprofessionals in health education by medical, dental, and nursing schools, schools of public health, and other institutions engaged in training of educational or health professionals, (B) model curriculums to be used in elementary and secondary schools and institutions of higher learning, (C) materials and programs

for the continuing education of health professionals and paraprofessionals in the health education of their patients, (D) materials for public service use by the printed and broadcast media, and (E) materials and programs to assist providers of health care in providing health education to their patients; and

“(4) support demonstration and evaluation programs for individual and group self-help programs designed to assist the participant in using his individual capacities to deal with health problems, including programs concerned with obesity, hypertension, and diabetes.

Grants.

“(b) The Secretary is authorized to make grants to States and other public and nonprofit private entities to assist them in meeting the costs of demonstrating and evaluating programs which provide information respecting the costs and quality of health care or information respecting health insurance policies and prepaid health plans, or information respecting both. After the development of models pursuant to sections 1704(4) and 1704(5) for such information, no grant may be made under this subsection for a program unless the information to be provided under the program is provided in accordance with one of such models applicable to the information.

“(c) The Secretary is authorized to support by grant or contract (and to encourage others to support) private nonprofit entities working in health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care. The amount of any grant or contract for a fiscal year beginning after September 30, 1978, for an entity may not exceed 25 per centum of the expenses of the entity for such fiscal year for health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care.

“INFORMATION PROGRAMS

42 USC 300u-3.

“SEC. 1704. The Secretary is authorized to conduct and support by grant or contract (and encourage others to support) such activities as may be required to make information respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care available to the consumers of medical care, providers of such care, schools, and others who are or should be informed respecting such matters. Such activities may include at least the following:

“(1) The publication of information, pamphlets, and other reports which are specially suited to interest and instruct the health consumer, which information, pamphlets, and other reports shall be updated annually, shall pertain to the individual's ability to improve and safeguard his own health; shall include material, accompanied by suitable illustrations, on child care, family life and human development, disease prevention (particularly prevention of pulmonary disease, cardiovascular disease, and cancer), physical fitness, dental health, environmental health, nutrition, safety and accident prevention, drug abuse and alcoholism, mental health, management of chronic diseases (including diabetes and arthritis), and venereal diseases; and shall be designed to reach populations of different languages and of different social and economic backgrounds.

“(2) Securing the cooperation of the communications media, providers of health care, schools, and others in activities designed to promote and encourage the use of health maintaining information and behavior.

"(3) The study of health information and promotion in advertising and the making to concerned Federal agencies and others such recommendations respecting such advertising as are appropriate.

"(4) The development of models and standards for the publication by States, insurance carriers, prepaid health plans, and others (except individual health practitioners) of information for use by the public respecting the cost and quality of health care, including information to enable the public to make comparisons of the cost and quality of health care.

"(5) The development of models and standards for the publication by States, insurance carriers, prepaid health plans, and others of information for use by the public respecting health insurance policies and prepaid health plans, including information on the benefits provided by the various types of such policies and plans, the premium charges for such policies and plans, exclusions from coverage or eligibility for coverage, cost sharing requirements, and the ratio of the amounts paid as benefits to the amounts received as premiums and information to enable the public to make relevant comparisons of the costs and benefits of such policies and plans.

"(6) Assess, with respect to the effectiveness, safety, cost, and required training for and conditions of use, of new aspects of health care, and new activities, programs, and services designed to improve human health and publish in readily understandable language for public and professional use such assessments and, in the case of controversial aspects of health care, activities, programs, or services, publish differing views or opinions respecting the effectiveness, safety, cost, and required training for and conditions of use, of such aspects of health care, activities, programs, or services.

"REPORT AND STUDY

"SEC. 1705. (a) The Secretary shall, not later than two years after the date of the enactment of this title and annually thereafter, submit to the President for transmittal to Congress a report on the status of health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care. Each such report shall include—

42 USC 300u-4.

"(1) a statement of the activities carried out under this title since the last report and the extent to which each such activity achieves the purposes of this title;

"(2) an assessment of the manpower resources needed to carry out programs relating to health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care, and a statement describing the activities currently being carried out under this title designed to prepare teachers and other manpower for such programs;

"(3) the goals and strategy formulated pursuant to section 1701(a)(1), the models and standards developed under this title, and the results of the study required by subsection (b) of this section; and

"(4) such recommendations as the Secretary considers appropriate for legislation respecting health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care, including recommendations for revisions to and extension of this title.

Study.

“(b) The Secretary shall conduct a study of health education services and preventive health services to determine the coverage of such services under public and private health insurance programs, including the extent and nature of such coverage and the cost sharing requirements required by such programs for coverage of such services.

“OFFICE OF HEALTH INFORMATION AND HEALTH PROMOTION

Establishment.
42 USC 300u-5.

“SEC. 1706. The Secretary shall establish within the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health an Office of Health Information and Health Promotion which shall—

“(1) coordinate all activities within the Department which relate to health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care;

“(2) coordinate its activities with similar activities of organizations in the private sector; and

“(3) establish a national information clearinghouse to facilitate the exchange of information concerning matters relating to health information and health promotion, preventive health services, and education in the appropriate use of health care, to facilitate access to such information, and to assist in the analysis of issues and problems relating to such matters.”.

Disease Control
Amendments of
1976.

TITLE II—DISEASE CONTROL

SHORT TITLE

42 USC 201 note.

SEC. 201. This title may be cited as the “Disease Control Amendments of 1976”.

AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS 311 AND 317

42 USC 247b
note.

SEC. 202. (a) Effective with respect to grants under section 317 of the Public Health Service Act made from appropriations under such section for fiscal years beginning after June 30, 1975, section 317 of such Act is amended to read as follows:

“DISEASE CONTROL PROGRAMS

Grants.
42 USC 247b.

“SEC. 317. (a) The Secretary may make grants to States and, in consultation with State health authorities, to public entities to assist them in meeting the costs of disease control programs.

“(b) (1) No grant may be made under subsection (a) unless an application therefor has been submitted to, and approved by, the Secretary. Such application shall be in such form, be submitted in such manner, and contain such information as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe and shall meet the requirements of paragraph (2).

Application
requirements.

“(2) An application for a grant under subsection (a) shall—

“(A) set forth with particularity the objectives (and their priorities, as determined in accordance with such regulations as the Secretary may prescribe) of the applicant for each of the disease control programs it proposes to conduct with assistance from a grant under subsection (a);

“(B) contain assurances satisfactory to the Secretary that, in the year during which the grant applied for would be available, the applicant will conduct such programs as may be necessary (i) to develop an awareness in those persons in the area served by

the applicant who are most susceptible to the diseases or conditions referred to in subsection (f) of appropriate preventive behavior and measures (including immunizations) and diagnostic procedures for such diseases, and (ii) to facilitate their access to such measures and procedures; and

“(C) provide for the reporting to the Secretary of such information as he may require concerning (i) the problems, in the area served by the applicant, which relate to any disease or condition referred to in subsection (f), and (ii) the disease control programs of the applicant for which a grant is applied for.

Report to
Secretary.

In considering such an application the Secretary shall take into account the relative extent, in the area served by the applicant, of the problems which relate to one or more of the diseases or conditions referred to in subsection (f) and the extent to which the applicant's programs are designed to eliminate or reduce such problems. The Secretary shall give special consideration to applications for programs which (A) will increase to at least 80 per centum the immunization rates of any population identified as not having received, or as having failed to secure, the generally recognized disease immunizations, and (B) to the fullest extent practicable, will cooperate and use public and nonprofit private entities and volunteers. The Secretary shall give priority to applications submitted for disease control programs for communicable diseases.

“(c) (1) Each grant under subsection (a) shall be made for disease control program costs in the one-year period beginning on the first day of the first month beginning after the month in which the grant is made.

“(2) Payments under grants under subsection (a) may be made in advance on the basis of estimates or by way of reimbursement, with necessary adjustments on account of underpayments or overpayments, and in such installments and on such terms and conditions as the Secretary finds necessary to carry out the purposes of this section.

“(3) The Secretary, at the request of a recipient of a grant under subsection (a), may reduce the amount of such grant by—

“(A) the fair market value of any supplies (including vaccines and other prevention agents) or equipment furnished the grant recipient, and

“(B) the amount of the pay, allowances, and travel expenses of any officer or employee of the Government when detailed to the recipient and the amount of any other costs incurred in connection with the detail of such officer or employee, when the furnishing of such supplies or equipment or the detail of such an officer or employee is for the convenience of and at the request of such recipient and for the purpose of carrying out a program with respect to which the recipient's grant under subsection (a) is made. The amount by which any such grant is so reduced shall be available for payment by the Secretary of the costs incurred in furnishing the supplies or equipment, or in detailing the personnel, on which the reduction of such grant is based, and such amount shall be deemed as part of the grant and shall be deemed to have been paid to the recipient.

“(d) (1) The Secretary may conduct, and may make grants to and enter into contracts with public and nonprofit private entities for the conduct of—

Grants and
contracts.

“(A) training for the administration and operation of disease prevention and control programs, and

“(B) demonstrations and evaluations of such programs.

- Application.** “(2) No grant may be made or contract entered into under paragraph (1) unless an application therefor is submitted to and approved by the Secretary. Such application shall be in such form, be submitted in such manner, and contain such information, as the Secretary shall by regulation prescribe.
- Coordination.** “(e) The Secretary shall coordinate activities under this section respecting disease control programs with activities under other sections of this Act respecting such programs.
- “Disease control program.”** “(f) For purposes of this section, the term ‘disease control program’ means a program which is designed and conducted so as to contribute to national protection against diseases or conditions of national significance which are amenable to reduction, including tuberculosis, rubella, measles, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, mumps, and other communicable diseases (other than venereal diseases), and arthritis, diabetes, diseases borne by rodents, hypertension, pulmonary diseases, cardiovascular diseases, and Rh disease. Such term also includes vaccination programs, laboratory services, studies to determine the disease control needs of the States and the means of best meeting such needs, the provision of information and education services respecting disease control, and programs to encourage behavior which will prevent disease and encourage the use of preventive measures and diagnostic procedures. Such term also includes any program or project for rodent control for which a grant was made under section 314(e) for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975.
- 42 USC 246.** “(g) (1) (A) For the purpose of grants under subsection (a) for disease control programs to immunize children against immunizable diseases (including measles, rubella, poliomyelitis, diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, and mumps), there are authorized to be appropriated \$9,000,000 for fiscal year 1976, \$17,500,000 for fiscal year 1977, and \$23,000,000 for fiscal year 1978.
- Appropriation authorization.** “(B) For the purpose of grants under subsection (a) for disease control programs for diseases borne by rodents there are authorized to be appropriated \$13,500,000 for fiscal year 1976, \$14,000,000 for fiscal year 1977, and \$14,500,000 for fiscal year 1978.
- Appropriation authorization.** “(C) For the purpose of grants under subsection (a) for disease control programs, other than programs for which appropriations are authorized under subparagraph (A) or (B), and for the purpose of grants and contracts under subsection (d), there are authorized to be appropriated \$4,000,000 for fiscal year 1976, \$4,500,000 for fiscal year 1977, and \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1978.
- Appropriation authorization.** “(D) Not to exceed 15 per centum of the amount appropriated for any fiscal year under any of the preceding subparagraphs of this paragraph may be used by the Secretary for grants and contracts for such fiscal year for programs for which appropriations are authorized under any one or more of the other subparagraphs of this paragraph if the Secretary determines that such use will better carry out the purpose of this section, and reports to the appropriate committees of Congress at least thirty days before making such use of such amount his determination and the reasons therefor.
- 42 USC 247c.** “(2) Except as provided in section 318, no funds appropriated under any provision of this Act other than paragraph (1) of this subsection may be used to make grants in any fiscal year for disease control programs if (A) grants for such programs are authorized by subsection (a), and (B) all the funds authorized to be appropriated under this subsection for that fiscal year have not been appropriated for that fiscal year and obligated in that fiscal year.
- Report to Congress.** “(h) The Secretary shall submit to the President for submission to the Congress on January 1 of each year (1) a report (A) on the

effectiveness of all Federal and other public and private activities in controlling the diseases and conditions referred to in subsection (f), (B) on the extent of the problems presented by such diseases, (C) on the effectiveness of the activities, assisted under grants and contracts under this section, in controlling such diseases, and (D) setting forth a plan for the coming year for the control of such diseases; and (2) a report (A) on the immune status of the population of the United States, and (B) identifying, by area, population group, and other categories, deficiencies in the immune status of such population.

“(i) (1) Nothing in this section shall limit or otherwise restrict the use of funds which are granted to a State or to an agency or a political subdivision of a State under provisions of Federal law (other than this Act) and which are available for the conduct of disease control programs from being used in connection with programs assisted through grants under subsection (a).

“(2) Nothing in this section shall be construed to require any State or any agency or political subdivision of a State to have a disease control program which would require any person, who objects to any treatment provided under such a program, to be treated or to have any child or ward treated under such a program.”.

(b) Section 311(c) of the Public Health Service Act is amended 42 USC 243. to read as follows:

“(c) (1) The Secretary is authorized to develop (and may take such action as may be necessary to implement) a plan under which personnel, equipment, medical supplies, and other resources of the Service and other agencies under the jurisdiction of the Secretary may be effectively used to control epidemics of any disease or condition referred to in section 317(f) and to meet other health emergencies or problems involving or resulting from disasters or any such disease. 42 USC 247b. The Secretary may enter into agreements providing for the cooperative planning between the Service and public and private community health programs and agencies to cope with health problems (including epidemics and health emergencies) resulting from disasters or any disease or condition referred to in section 317(f).

“(2) The Secretary may, at the request of the appropriate State or local authority, extend temporary (not in excess of forty-five days) assistance to States or localities in meeting health emergencies of such a nature as to warrant Federal assistance. The Secretary may require such reimbursement of the United States for assistance provided under this paragraph as he may determine to be reasonable under the circumstances. Any reimbursement so paid shall be credited to the applicable appropriation for the Service for the year in which such reimbursement is received.”. Federal assistance.

(c) Section 311(b) of such Act is amended by inserting at the end thereof the following new sentence: “The Secretary may charge only private entities reasonable fees for the training of their personnel under the preceding sentence.”.

AMENDMENTS RESPECTING VENEREAL DISEASES

SEC. 203. (a) The Congress finds and declares that—

(1) the number of reported cases of venereal disease continues in epidemic proportions in the United States;

(2) the number of patients with venereal disease reported to public health authorities is only a fraction of those actually infected;

(3) the incidence of venereal disease is particularly high in the 15-29-year age group, and in metropolitan areas;

42 USC 247c
note.

(4) venereal disease accounts for needless deaths and leads to such severe disabilities as sterility, insanity, blindness, and crippling conditions;

(5) the number of cases of congenital syphilis, a preventable disease, tends to parallel the incidence of syphilis in adults;

(6) it is conservatively estimated that the public cost of care for persons suffering the complications of venereal disease exceed \$80,000,000 annually;

(7) medical researchers have no successful vaccine for syphilis or gonorrhea, and have no blood test for the detection of gonorrhea among the large reservoir of asymptomatic females;

(8) school health education programs, public information and awareness campaigns, mass diagnostic screening and case followup activities have all been found to be effective disease intervention methodologies;

(9) knowledgeable health providers and concerned individuals and groups are fundamental to venereal disease prevention and control;

(10) biomedical research leading to the development of vaccines for syphilis and gonorrhea is of singular importance for the eventual eradication of these dreaded diseases; and

(11) a variety of other sexually transmitted diseases, in addition to syphilis and gonorrhea, have become of public health significance.

42 USC 247c.

(b)(1) Section 318(b)(2) of the Public Health Service Act is amended to read as follows:

Appropriation
authorization.

"(2) For the purpose of carrying out this subsection, there are authorized to be appropriated \$5,000,000 for fiscal year 1976, \$6,600,000 for fiscal year 1977, and \$7,600,000 for fiscal year 1978."

(2) Subsection (d) (2) of such section is amended to read as follows:
"(2) For the purpose of carrying out this section there is authorized to be appropriated \$32,000,000 for fiscal year 1976, \$41,500,000 for fiscal year 1977, and \$43,500,000 for fiscal year 1978."

(c) Subsection (a) of such section is amended by striking out "public authorities and" and inserting in lieu thereof "public and non-profit private entities and to".

(d) Subsection (d) (1) (B) of such section is amended by inserting before the semicolon at the end the following: "and routine testing, including laboratory tests and followup systems".

(e) Subsection (d) (1) (E) of such section is amended by striking out "control" and inserting in lieu thereof "prevention and control strategies and activities".

Repeal.

(f) (1) Subsection (c) is repealed.

(2) Subsection (e) (1) of such section is amended by striking out "or (d)" and inserting in lieu thereof "or (c)".

(3) Subsection (e) (2) (C) of such section is amended by striking out "(including dark-field microscope techniques for the diagnosis of both gonorrhea and syphilis)".

(4) The last sentence of subsection (e) (4) of such section is amended by striking out the semicolon and all that follows through "paid to such recipient".

(5) The first sentence of subsection (e) (5) of such section is amended by inserting before the period the following: "or as may be required by a law of a State or political subdivision of a State".

(6) Subsection (g) of such section is amended by striking out ", (c), and (d)" and inserting in lieu thereof "and (c)".

(7) Subsection (h) of such section is amended by striking out "treated or to have any child or ward of his".

(8) Subsections (d), (e), (f), (g), and (h) of such section are redesignated as subsections (c), (d), (e), (f), and (g), respectively.

(g) Subsection (e) of such section (as so redesignated) is amended by striking out "317(d)(4)" and inserting in lieu thereof "317(g)(2)".

(h) Such section is amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

"(h) For purposes of this section and section 317, the term 'venereal disease' means gonorrhea, syphilis, or any other disease which can be sexually transmitted and which the Secretary determines is or may be amenable to control with assistance provided under this section and is of national significance."

"Venereal
disease."
42 USC 247b.

(i) Section 318(b)(1) is amended by inserting "education," before "and training".

42 USC 247c.

EXTENSION AND REVISION OF LEAD-BASED PAINT POISONING PREVENTION ACT

SEC. 204. (a) (1) Section 101(c) of the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. 4801(c)) is amended by inserting after and below paragraph (4) the following:

"Follow-up programs described in paragraph (3) shall include programs to eliminate lead-based paint hazards from surfaces in and around residential dwelling units or houses, including programs to provide for such purpose financial assistance to the owners of such units or houses who are financially unable to eliminate such hazards from their units or houses. In administering programs for the elimination of such hazards, priority shall be given to the elimination of such hazards in residential dwelling units or houses in which reside children with diagnosed lead-based paint poisoning."

Follow-up
programs.

(2) (A) Section 101(c) of such Act is amended by striking out "should include" and inserting in lieu thereof "shall include".

(B) Section 101(f) of such Act is amended by (i) striking out "and (B)" and inserting in lieu thereof "(B)", and (ii) by inserting before the period at the end the following "and (C) the services to be provided will be provided under local programs which meet the requirements of subsections (c) and (d) of this section".

(b) Section 401 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 4831) is amended to read as follows:

"PROHIBITION AGAINST USE OF LEAD-BASED PAINT IN CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES AND THE MANUFACTURE OF CERTAIN TOYS AND UTENSILS"

"SEC. 401. (a) The Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare shall take such steps and impose such conditions as may be necessary or appropriate to prohibit the application of lead-based paint to any cooking utensil, drinking utensil, or eating utensil manufactured and distributed after the date of enactment of this Act.

"(b) The Secretary of Housing and Urban Development shall take steps and impose such conditions as may be necessary or appropriate to prohibit the use of lead-based paint in residential structures constructed or rehabilitated by the Federal Government, or with Federal assistance in any form after the date of enactment of this Act.

"(c) The Consumer Product Safety Commission shall take such steps and impose such conditions as may be necessary or appropriate to prohibit the application of lead-based paint to any toy or furniture article."

(c) (1) Section 501 (3) of such Act (42 U.S.C. 4841 (3)) is amended to read as follows:

"Lead-based paint."

"(3) (A) Except as provided in subparagraph (B), the term 'lead-based paint' means any paint containing more than five-tenths of 1 per centum lead by weight (calculated as lead metal) in the total nonvolatile content of the paint, or the equivalent measure of lead in the dried film of paint already applied, or both.

Hearing.

"(B) (i) The Consumer Product Safety Commission shall, during the six-month period beginning on the date of the enactment of the National Health Promotion and Disease Prevention Act of 1976, determine, on the basis of available data and information and after providing opportunity for an oral hearing and considering recommendations of the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare (including those of the Center for Disease Control) and of the National Academy of Sciences, whether or not a level of lead in paint which is greater than six one-hundredths of 1 per centum but not in excess of five-tenths of 1 per centum is safe. If the Commission determines, in accordance with the preceding sentence, that another level of lead is safe, the term 'lead-based paint' means, with respect to paint which is manufactured after the expiration of the six-month period beginning on the date of the Commission's determination, paint containing by weight (calculated as lead metal) in the total nonvolatile content of the paint more than the level of lead determined by the Commission to be safe or the equivalent measure of lead in the dried film of paint already applied, or both.

"(ii) Unless the definition of the term 'lead-based paint' has been established by a determination of the Consumer Product Safety Commission pursuant to clause (i) of this subparagraph, the term 'lead-based paint' means, with respect to paint which is manufactured after the expiration of the twelve-month period beginning on such date of enactment, paint containing more than six one-hundredths of 1 per centum lead by weight (calculated as lead metal) in the total nonvolatile content of the paint, or the equivalent measure of lead in the dried film of paint already applied, or both."

(2) Section 501 of such Act is amended (1) by striking out "the term" in paragraphs (1) and (2) and inserting in lieu thereof "The term", (2) by striking out the semicolon at the end of paragraph (1) and inserting in lieu thereof a period, and (3) by striking out "; and" at the end of paragraph (2) and inserting in lieu thereof a period.

(d) Section 502 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 4842) is amended by striking out "In carrying out the authority under this Act, the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare shall" and inserting in lieu thereof "In carrying out their respective authorities under this Act, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare shall each".

Appropriation authorization.

(e) (1) Section 503 of such Act (42 U.S.C. 4843) is amended by striking out subsections (a), (b), and (c) and inserting in lieu thereof the following:

"(a) There are authorized to be appropriated to carry out this Act \$10,000,000 for the fiscal year 1976, \$12,000,000 for the fiscal year 1977, and \$14,000,000 for the fiscal year 1978."

(2) Subsection (d) of such section is redesignated as subsection (b).

TITLE III—MISCELLANEOUS AMENDMENT

SEC. 301. (a) Section 2(f) of the Public Health Service Act is amended to read as follows: 42 USC 201.

"(f) Except as provided in sections 314(g) (4) (B), 355(5), 361(d), 1002(c), 1201(2), 1401(13), 1531(1), and 1633(1), the term 'State' includes, in addition to the several States, only the District of Columbia, Guam, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands."

(b) (1) Section 361(d) is amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "For purposes of this subsection, the term 'State' includes, in addition to the several States, only the District of Columbia." 42 USC 264.

(2) Section 1401 is amended by adding after paragraph (12) the following new paragraph: 42 USC 300f.

"(13) The term 'State' includes, in addition to the several States, only the District of Columbia, Guam, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, American Samoa, and the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands."

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