

REORGANIZATION PLANS

REORGANIZATION PLAN NO. 2 OF 1946 ¹

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FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY AND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

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59 Stat. 613.
5 U. S. C., Supp. V, §§ 133y-133y-16.

Section 1. *Children's Bureau.*—(a) The Children's Bureau in the Department of Labor, exclusive of its Industrial Division, is transferred to the Federal Security Agency. All functions of the Children's Bureau and of the Chief of the Children's Bureau except those transferred by subsection (b) of this section, all functions of the Secretary of Labor under Title V of the Social Security Act (49 Stat. 620, ch. 531), as amended, and all other functions of the Secretary of Labor relating to the foregoing functions are transferred to the Federal Security Administrator and shall be performed by him or under his direction and control by such officers and employees of the Federal Security Agency as he shall designate, except that the functions authorized by section 2 of the act of April 9, 1912 (37 Stat. 79, ch. 73), as amended, and such other functions of the Federal Security Agency as the Administrator may designate, shall be administered, under his direction and control, through the Children's Bureau.

49 Stat. 629.
42 U. S. C. § 701 et seq.; Supp. V, § 703a.
Ante, p. 986.

29 U. S. C. § 18a.

(b) The functions of the Children's Bureau and of the Chief of the Children's Bureau under the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 (52 Stat. 1060, ch. 676), as amended, are transferred to the Secretary of Labor and shall be performed under his direction and control by such officers and employees of the Department of Labor as he shall designate.

29 U. S. C. §§ 201-219; Supp. V, §§ 207, 211.

Sec. 2. *Vital statistics.*—The functions of the Secretary of Commerce, the Bureau of the Census, and the Director of the Bureau of the Census with respect to vital statistics (including statistics on births, deaths, marriages, divorces, and annulments) are transferred to the Federal Security Administrator and shall be performed under his direction and control by the United States Public Health Service or by such officers and employees of the Federal Security Agency as the Administrator shall designate.

Sec. 3. *United States Employees' Compensation Commission.*—The functions of the United States Employees' Compensation Commission are transferred to the Federal Security Agency and shall be performed in such manner and under such rules and regulations as the Federal Security Administrator shall prescribe. Such regulations shall provide for a board of three persons to be designated or appointed by the Federal Security Administrator with authority to hear and, subject to applicable law, make final decision on appeals taken from determinations and awards with respect to claims of employees of the Federal Government or of the District of Columbia. The United States Employees' Compensation Commission is abolished.

Sec. 4. *Social Security Board.*—The functions of the Social Security Board in the Federal Security Agency, together with the functions

¹ For action on Reorganization Plan No. 1 of 1946 see H. Con. Res. 155, *post*, p. 1329.

of its chairman, are transferred to the Federal Security Administrator and shall be performed by him or under his direction and control by such officers and employees of the Federal Security Agency as he shall designate. The Social Security Board is abolished.

Sec. 5. *Assistant heads of Federal Security Agency.*—In addition to the existing Assistant Federal Security Administrator, there shall be not to exceed two assistant heads of the Federal Security Agency, each of whom shall be appointed by the Federal Security Administrator under the classified civil service, receive a salary at the rate of \$10,000 per annum, and perform such duties and head such constituent unit of the Federal Security Agency as the Administrator may provide.

20 U. S. C. §§ 107-1071.

Sec. 6. *Functions under act of June 20, 1936, with respect to the blind.*—The functions of the Office of Education and of the Commissioner of Education under the act of June 20, 1936 (49 Stat. 1559, ch. 638) are transferred to the Federal Security Administrator and shall be performed under his direction and control by such officers and employees of the Federal Security Agency as he shall designate.

20 U. S. C. § 2a.

Sec. 7. *Assistant Commissioner of Education.*—The functions of the Assistant Commissioner of Education created by the act of May 26, 1930 (46 Stat. 384, ch. 330) are transferred to the Office of Education to be performed under the direction and control of the Commissioner of Education by such officers or employees of the Office as he may designate with the approval of the Federal Security Administrator. The Office of Assistant Commissioner of Education is abolished.

Sec. 8. *Federal Board for Vocational Education.*—The Federal Board for Vocational Education and its functions are abolished.

Sec. 9. *Board of Visitors of Saint Elizabeth's Hospital.*—The Board of Visitors of Saint Elizabeth's Hospital and its functions are abolished.

Sec. 10. *Coordination of grant-in-aid programs.*—In order to coordinate more fully the administration of grant-in-aid programs by officers and constituent units of the Federal Security Agency, the Federal Security Administrator shall establish, insofar as practicable, (a) uniform standards and procedures relating to fiscal, personnel, and the other requirements common to two or more such programs, and (b) standards and procedures under which a State agency participating in more than one such program may submit a single plan of operation and be subject to a single Federal fiscal and administrative review of its operation.

Sec. 11. *Winding up of affairs.*—Suitable measures shall be taken by the Federal Security Administrator to wind up those outstanding affairs of the agencies herein abolished which are not otherwise disposed of by this plan.

Sec. 12. *Transfer of personnel, property, records, and funds.*—The personnel, property, records, and unexpended balances of appropriations, allocations, and other funds (available or to be made available), which the Director of the Bureau of the Budget shall determine to relate primarily to the functions transferred hereunder are transferred to the respective agencies concerned for use in the administration of the functions so transferred, except that all of the personnel, property, records, and funds of the Industrial Division of the Children's Bureau shall be transferred to such agency or agencies of the Department of Labor as the Secretary of Labor shall designate. Any of the personnel transferred under this plan which the transferee agency shall find to be in excess of the personnel necessary for the administration of the functions transferred to such agency shall be retransferred under existing law to other positions in the Government or separated from the service.