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NOTICE TO THE PRESS

The President has signed H. R. 8841 - Extend and amend the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act.

This bill extends the appropriations authorization for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to carry out the provisions of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act (FIFRA) at a level of \$47,868,000 from October 1, 1975, through September 30, 1976, and \$23,600,000 from October 1, 1976, through March 31, 1977; extends for one year certain deadline dates on actions remaining to be taken under FIFRA; requires EPA to assess the impact of proposed changes in pesticide classification or cancellations on production and prices of agricultural commodities, retail food prices, and other effects on the agricultural economy, and further requires the Secretary of Agriculture to be provided with such analysis; requires EPA to provide the Secretary of Agriculture with notices of proposed changes in regulations issued under FIFRA; changes certain provisions relating to self-certification of private pesticide applicators.

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The President has signed H. R. 10029 - Military Construction Appropriation Act, fiscal year 1976 -- which appropriates \$3,944,114,000 for military construction activities in fiscal year 1976 and the transition quarter.

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