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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: HAROLD L. SHEPPARD *Hals*

SUBJECT: H.R. 5295

I am writing this Memo to recommend your signing of H.R. 5295, which is partly designed to remedy some unintended negative consequences of eliminating the use of a monthly earnings (or retirement) test in the 1977 Social Security legislation. The new legislation -- as you know -- was passed unanimously by the House (in 1979), and more recently passed the Senate without serious opposition. Just as important, it is a major legislative priority of such organizations as the National Retired Teachers Association/American Association of Retired Persons (NRTA/AARP), the largest membership organization of retirees in this country.

If the Bill is signed by the 15th of this month, publicity about it by the end of the month would be possible in the NRTA/AARP's publication. It is distributed to roughly 12 million men and women.