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Date Correspondence Received (YY/MM/DD) 82102124

Name of Correspondent: [REDACTED] b(6)

☐ MI Mail Report

User Codes: (A) (B) (C)

Subject: CONCERNED ABOUT ANY CHANGE
IN SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION
ACT OF 1973.

ROUTE TO:

ACTION

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to be used as Enclosure

I - Info Copy Only/No Action Necessary
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X - Interim Reply

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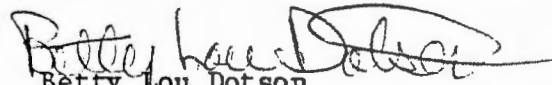
Dear [REDACTED]

This is in response to your letter of February 12 to President Reagan concerning changes to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Section 504 prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in federally assisted programs and activities.

The Administration has not submitted a bill to amend Section 504. However, the Department of Justice is considering changes to the government-wide regulation under Section 504. The government-wide regulation sets basic compliance standards and procedures that federal departments and agencies are required to enforce. Recently, the Justice Department circulated a draft of a revised Section 504 government-wide regulation for comment. Final action on the regulation has not yet been taken.

I understand and share your concerns about revisions to the regulation that might affect your son's ability to attend school with the help of transportation provided by the school system. However, the Department of Health and Human Services does not have the responsibility to enforce Section 504 as it applies to school systems. Because of your concerns about possible regulatory changes, I am transmitting your letter to the Honorable William Bradford Reynolds, the Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights at the Department of Justice. I am sure Mr. Reynolds will give careful consideration to the circumstances described in your letter.

Sincerely yours,


Betty Lou Dotson
Director
Office for Civil Rights

cc: The Honorable William Bradford Reynolds

THE WHITE HOUSE OFFICE
REFERRAL

MARCH 29, 1982

TO: DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

ACTION REQUESTED:
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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

ID: 068131
MEDIA: LETTER, DATED FEBRUARY 12, 1982
TO: PRESIDENT REAGAN
FROM: [REDACTED] b(6)

SUBJECT: CONCERNED ABOUT ANY CHANGE IN SECTION 504
OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973

PROMPT ACTION IS ESSENTIAL -- IF REQUIRED ACTION HAS NOT BEEN
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UNDERSIGNED AT 456-7486.

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SALLY KELLEY
DIRECTOR OF AGENCY LIAISON
PRESIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE

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Dear Mr. President,

I hope you have had a change of heart by the time my letter reaches you. I am referring to the bill you want passed to take away from the poor handicapped people in this country. I am referring to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

We must keep in tact ALL Provisions of the section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Perhaps you have been fortunate enough to not have a disabled or handicapped person in your family. I have not been so fortunate.

I have a 12 year old son, who was struck by a car 4 years ago, and is now crippled in his left leg. I can't even explain the

heart-break I am still going through. I've had him to several doctors and hospitals, but, he will NEVER walk normal again. The school he is attending stopped picking him up at my door - my son has missed too much school to even be promoted now - finally, I received word that a special car will transport him to and from school for me - which was a great relief. But, now, I'm afraid he will lose that too if your bill is passed. And what about all the other handi-capped people who so desperately needs transportation, schooling, and jobs? What will happen to them?

I never thought of you as being a heartless man. Please prove I am right in my opinion of you.

I Beg you, please don't pass that bill, our future is in your hands.

Thank-You Sincerely,

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