

THE URBAN COALITION ACTION COUNCIL

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Memorandum To: Chairmen and Executive Directors of
Local Urban Coalitions

Congress will recess July 3 for a long weekend and return July 8. We are asking local Urban Coalition members to contact their Congressmen and Senators while they are home and urge that they support measures vital to cities.

Enclosed with the weekly Legislative Report is a letter sent this week to each member of Congress from Chairman Gardner, urging passage of programs that are important to cities and specifying priorities. Also enclosed is a summary of the major provisions of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968 which you may find useful.

The outlook for the housing bill is generally good, however emphasis should be placed on certain key areas such as broad income eligibility standards for low income housing, an expanded rent supplement program, and full funding for Model Cities.

Severe appropriation cuts have been made by the House of Representatives in education programs, the Teacher Corps and the Office of Economic Opportunity. Senators should be urged to restore these cuts.

Your assistance will be very helpful and very much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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