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BIA EDUCATORS ARE MEETING IN DULUTH

Bureau of Indian Affairs education administrators nationwide met August 7-9 in Duluth, Minn., to discuss the implementation of new Federal laws affecting Indian education programs, BIA Director of Indian Education Programs Earl Barlow said today.

Barlow said that major changes in Indian education programs will be introduced in the 1979-80 school year through the implementation of the Education Amendments Act of 1978 (P.L. 95-561). He said that the Bureau's education programs were also being affected by legislation on the education of the handicapped (P.L. 94-142) and the Indian Tribally Controlled Community College Act (P.L. 95-471).

The three-day program consisted of workshops and presentations on the regulations and implementation procedures for these Acts and discussions of other matters pertaining to Indian education programs.

Barlow said that the sessions were important "because the administrators are the individuals responsible for making the programs work at the local level in classrooms where children come to learn. He said that the administrators would be bringing information from the meeting back to their teachers, dormitory supervisors, school boards and other persons involved in the education of Indian students.

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