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### IMPLEMENTATION OF INDIAN EDUCATION LAW IS MEETING TOPIC

Indian educators will be meeting February 28 to March 2 in Denver, Colo., to review draft regulations required for implementation of Indian sections of the Education Amendments Act of 1978. Title XI of the Act, dealing with Indian education, has a June 27 deadline for publication of some final regulations

Rick Lavis, Interior Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, said that the steering committee, responsible for implementing Title XI, will also be reporting on the status of task force projects and schedule of future actions

Title XI mandated major changes in the administration and organization of Indian education programs. It stressed control of these programs at the local level by the Indian community

The steering committee, which includes tribal education committee members and school board members as well as education administrators and staff, has twelve task forces dealing with such matters as school boards, education personnel, funding formulas, education policies and student rights. There is also a group working on the implementation of the Tribally Controlled Community College Assistance Act of 1978.

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