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Articles and student Comments in this issue deal with a wide range of legal issues. Stephen Gurko, of Ireland, Stapleton, Pryor, and Holmes, of Denver, leads the group with an in-depth examination of the tax aspects of land investment, from which he concludes that federal income tax laws tend to encourage "urban sprawl": continuing development of undeveloped land near urban areas. In their article on "hot-pursuit," a matter of continuing controversy in Denver and elsewhere, Edmund Fennessy, Jr., and Kent Joscelyn present data derived from a study conducted by the Center for the Environment & Man, Inc. for the National Highway Safety Bureau. Third is a brief article in which Sam Smith, of Hindry and Meyer, also of Denver, analyzes the impact of *Richardson v. Belcher*, a recent Supreme Court case dealing with the reduction of social security disability insurance benefits in situations where the recipient is also receiving workmen's compensation disability benefits.

The student Comments all discuss topics of interest most particularly to Colorado lawyers. Andy Blair and Larry Mac-Donnell join together to discuss the district and circuit court decisions in the Denver school busing case, *Keyes v. School District Number One*, which has been granted certiorari by the United States Supreme Court. Doug Nichols' Comment on *Greyhound Leasing & Finance Corp. v. Joiner City Unit* deals with the Tenth Circuit Court's interpretation of Oklahoma's oil and gas unitization provision, one similar to Colorado's, and proposes an alternative approach to that taken by the court in *Greyhound*. Rodney Knutson's Comment analyzes the recently enacted Colorado flag desecration statute in terms of similar statutes which have been declared unconstitutional in other states.

This issue reflects the initial products of increased *Journal* emphasis on student writing, which we feel to be the basic means by which a law review fulfills its educational obligation to its students. We anticipate that future issues will continue to reflect that emphasis and that the *Journal* will thereby serve the legal community with increased analysis of local issues, in the context of articles dealing with issues of national concern.

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