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WASHINGTON, D.C., Feb. 8 -- Congressman Bob Dole today introduced a bill to extend the military separation allowance to families living in government housing.

Introducing the proposal, Dole said, "There is no good reason a monthly \$30 allowance is given to families of servicemen living off-base, but is denied to those housed in government guarters especially when the Viet Nam conflict is causing many lengthy separations."

Dole's proposal allows \$30 a month to members of the Armed Forces who are separated from their families for more than 30 days.

The Kansas Congressman said he received a petition signed by 550 "Waiting Wives" of Schilling Air Force Base Manor in Salina in support of similar legislation.

The women called for extension of the allowance because:

- "We have additional costs in operating two separate households;
- "We have extra expenses -- such as car maintenance, transportation, appliance repairs and baby-sitting -- created by our husbands' absence which are not taken care of by the government, and
- "Government support is helpful but not sufficient for our needs.'

Dole, who has discussed the proposal with the Salina group, said he hopes the Congress will act favorably on the bill soon.

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