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WASHINGTON, D.C., March 9 -- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today #379 cosponsored a bill amending the Arts and Humanities Act of 1965 to provide for a National Council on American Minority History and Culture.

The amendment would add a new 11-member council to the National Foundation on the Arts and Humanities.

The council," Dole explained, "made up of members of American minority groups, would be responsible solely for increasing the recognition of minority cultural contributions."

"These representatives could best decide on ways to make Americans nore aware of the history and culture of minority groups as they have influenced American society," Dole commented.