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WASHINGTON, D.C. Aug. 18 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) today announced on the Senate floor his intention to vote to sustain President Nixon's veto of the Office of Education appropriation bill.

The Kansas Senator stated, "The federal government cannot continue to allocate money which is not in the treasury. It is time that the Congress join the President in exercising restraint and responsibility in coordinating appropriations and budget requests. The American public knows that higher costs of living, higher interest rates, and higher taxes simply cannot be tolerated merely to satisfy the Congressional urge to appropriate more and more money, when less and less revenue is coming in."

Dole reaffirmed his belief in the importance and priority of education in America and reminded his colleagues that President Nixon asked the Congress for \$3.97 billion for the Office of Education, an increase of \$972 million over the last year of the last Administration and \$152 million more than the record level appropriated last year.

Dole went on to say that he opposed adding \$453 million to the Administration's carefully prepared and balanced program because the additional money would continue old, inadequate approaches and bystep the forward-looking programs of the President.

The Senator concluded that he would vote to sustain the President's veto because, "the appropriation of these additional funds is clearly not in the best interests of the American people."