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Washington-Rep. Bob Dole (R.Kans) today endorsed the Veteran's Educational Assistance Act of 1966 introduced in the House of Representatives Monday, January 10, by Indiana Congressman Ross Adair, the ranking Republican on the Veteran's Affairs Committee in the House.

Dole said he was confident the President and Administration leaders would withdraw their opposition to educational benefits for returning service men. "Certainly we can do no less for veterans today than for those who have served our country in past armed conflicts. If billions can be spent on Great Society programs, a little can be spent to assist those who are keeping our society free."

Dole stated he expected quick action by Congress on some form of "G.I. Bill" and that, after studying the various proposals, he felt the Adair proposal was the best. Briefly, the Bill would provide a program of education and training for any veteran who has at least six months military service between February 1, 1955, and the date of termination of compulsory military service -- whenever that may be.

Under this proposal education or training time shall be earned at the rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ days of education for each day of military service, provided the educational training is initiated within three years after the veteran's discharge or release from active duty or three years from date of enactment of the legislature from Congress, whichever is later.

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As examples, Dole stated that the following allowance would be payable if the Adair proposal is enacted:

"An eligible veteran who attends school full time, that is, takes 14 or more semester hours, would receive \$130 monthly if he had no dependents; \$160 with one, and \$190 with two or more dependents. If the veteran attends school less than full-time, payments will be reduced accordingly.

"The Bill also provides for institution and on-the-job training, including on-farm training. In these categories, payments are somewhat less. For example, an eligible veteran receiving on-farm training would receive \$110 per month with no dependents; \$130 monthly with one, and \$150 monthly with two or more dependents."

Education institutions which qualify to participate in this program would include public or private elementary schools; secondary schools; vocational schools; correspondence schools; business schools; junior colleges; teachers colleges; professional schools; universities, and other scientific or technical institutions furnishing education for adults.