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WASHINGTON, D.C, July 15 -- Congressman Bob Dole termed the vocational education amendments which passed the House today "a significant long-range step toward easing the urban crisis."

In a statement released from his office, here, Dole said, "Passage of the bill shows a commitment of Congress toward eliminating the educational deficit existing in many cities."

"One of the major causes of the turmoil in our cities has been our country's failure to carry out intensive programs of vocational-technical education for those who most need it," he added. "The school system which fails to prepare young people to earn a living is a dismal failure, for that is a primary function of all education at all levels."

"Only by well educating our youth," he said, "do we really have any lasting hope of helping people help themselves." "The better the education, the better the jobs, the better the housing and so on -- it's a chain reaction."