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WASHINGTON, D.C., Sept. 26 -- Congressman Bob Dole today said the House Agriculture Committee has unanimously reported legislation originally introduced by Senator Frank Carlson on Nov. 17, 1967.

The bill provides for the control of noxious plants on land under the control or jurisdiction of the federal government.

"Across America," Dole said, "the infestation of harmful perennial weeds has become more widespread and debilitating from year to year."

"Many states, long acutely aware of the need for positive control measures, have implemented programs of noxious weed eradication," he said, "But until this year, there has been no way of assuring access and compensation for control programs on federal land."

Senator Carlson's bill will provide compensation to states and permit access, after consent, to federal property where noxious weeds are a severe problem.