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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., MAY 3, 1973 -- Senator Bob Dole this morning spoke to the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped and told them that he had introduced legislation in the 93rd Congress to:

1. Promote the development alternatives to institutional living arrangements for severely handicapped adults;
2. Promote opportunities for severely handicapped adults to choose how and where to live and thereby reduce dependency, increase opportunities for vocational evaluation, training, and placement, and utilize already obtained rehabilitation and educational experiences;
3. focus attention on housing needs;
4. promote construction of adequate housing facilities suited to both handicapped and non-handicapped individuals;
5. demonstrate models of housing and services for severely handicapped adults; and,
6. utilize existing supportive service systems.

Dole said he was hopeful the bill would provide the push for long-overdue experimentatation and innovation in housing for the handicapped.