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Ladies and gentlemen---

This is Senator Hubert Humphrey, reporting to you from my office on Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C.--

In a modern world of awesome dangers and magnificent opportunities,
the United States can no longer base its strength on the sheer size of
the country or the raw materials and natural resources within its borders.

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Today, our real strength is based on brainpower. Our survival and our progress as a Nation depend on the extent to which we are educated and skilled to meet modern needs.

We are, with justification, proud of our great system of education in America. In Minnesota and throughout the Nation, our schools, colleges and

universities are capable of giving the best education and training in the technic to can archael.

opportunity. The high costs of college or university training prevent many thousands of intelligent and eager young Americans from getting the education they want and need.

Earlier this year, I reported to you on legislation I sponsored to

the the stablish a program of scholarships and loans for qualified men and women

in colleges and universities. That step is necessary, but another is the needed.

This week, I asked the Congress to approve an amendment to the Internal Revenue Code to provide income tax credit for some of the expenses of higher education.

My legislation would allow students or their parents to deduct parts of the costs of tuition, fees, books and supplies from their kaxablances taxes. -3- to coll of elicity

This bill would grant a 75 per cent credit on the first \$100 of tuition and other direct college expenses, 40 per cent on the next \$400, 30 per cent on the next \$500 and 20 per cent on the next \$500. The maximum under this formula would be a \$485 credit or reduction in income taxes.

Let me point out the significance of my bill, compared with some of the other bills of this type which have been introduced in the House of Representatives or Senate this year.

Most of those bills simply offer a deduction from taxable income, or an additional exemption for tax purposes. The effect of these bills would help students and their families, but the help would favor all too often those persons who need financial assistance the least—the ones in higher families.

The Humphrey bill offers a tax credit to those who most need it. And its graduated scale of credit does not penalize the students who are attending public colleges or universities, as some of the other legislation would do.

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people of the open This one bill will not solve the problem of our intelligent young people who can not afford to continue their education in colleges or universities.

But it is a fair and progressive step to help them grams take the opportunity which our educational systems offer.

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