

TAPE FOR WEEK OF JUNE 13

THIS IS CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.

LAST WEEK, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES APPROVED AN IMPORTANT LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL WHICH ESTABLISHES AN EMERGENCY PROGRAM OF ON-THE-JOB AND VOCATIONAL TRAINING FOR UNEMPLOYED VIETNAM-ERA VETERANS.

UPON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TRAINING PROGRAM BY THE VETERANS ADMINISTRATION, AS CALLED FOR IN THIS BILL, PAYMENTS OF UP TO 50 PERCENT OF THE VETERAN'S STARTING SALARY WILL BE MADE TO THE EMPLOYER TO DEFRAY THE COST OF TRAINING.

IN ADDITION, THE BILL ALSO PROVIDES ASSISTANCE TO VETERANS PURSUEING VOCATIONAL TRAINING THROUGH AN EDUCATION INSTITUTION.

EVEN THOUGH THE REAGAN ADMINISTRATION OPPOSED THIS MEASURE, I AM PLEASED THE HOUSE PASSED IT BY AN OVERWHELMING MARGIN OF 407 TO 10.

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT JOB AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES BE PROVIDED FOR THOSE WHO SERVED THEIR NATION IN THE MILITARY, AND IT IS FURTHER AN APPROPRIATE TIME TO DO THIS, AS WE CELEBRATE FLAG DAY.

THIS IS YOUR CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL.