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Hutchinson-Rep. Bob Dole announced Wednesday his support for two proposals pending before the Conservation and Credit Sub-Committee of which he is a member.

One measure would expand the authority of the Farmers

Home Administration insured loans. It would raise the limit of \$200,000,000
on the amount of Real Estate loans which may be insured by the FHA, to \$450,000,000.

Dole stated loans under this program are made to farmers and ranchers who are unable to obtain sufficient credit elsewhere to finance their actual needs at reasonable rates and terms. He pointed out that as of March 31, 1964, that nnly \$1.7 million of the \$600,000,000 in outstanding loans on that date had been foreclosed.

The second proposal is designed to enable the Federal Intermediate Credit Banks and the Production Credit Associations to better serve the expanded needs of farmers and ranchers. Cong. Dole stated this measure was supported by all major farm argin organizations, by the Farm Credit Administration, and by the National Advisory Committee of Production Credit Associations, including Mr. King L. Banks, chairman of the 9th District Production Credit Advisory Committee, composed of Kansas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, and Colorado.

The legislation proposed will amend existing law to improve the capital structure of the system, and permit Credit Production Associations to make more rapid progress in acquiring capital stock in the Federal Intermediate Credit Banks.

Dole stated both measures were approved by the sub-committee and now go to the full House Committee on Agriculture for further consideration.