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WASHINGTON, D.C. Feb. 23 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.)

today cosponsored an amendment to the Gun Control Act of 1968 which would repeal some restrictions on interstate transportation of firearms and ammunition by individual sportsmen.

"Under the present law," Dole said, "it is very difficult for a person interested in hunting or competitive shooting to purchase a gun or ammunition in a state where he is participating in the sport and then transport the gun or ammunition to his home state.

"The amendment would exempt only firearms and ammunition recognized as suitable for shooting match or hunting purposes from the ban against interstate sale or shipment.

"It would also apply only when such firearms or ammunition is intended for the personal use of the purchaser.

"Adoption of the measure would remove an unnecessary, irritating inconvenience for our sportsmen."

Last year, Dole cosponsored an amendment -- which was adopted -- to eliminate rifle and shotgun ammunition from the provision that requires dealers to keep records on the sale of ammunition.