



NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C., FEB. 21, 1973 -- The Senate today passed S.43, a bill introduced by Senator Bob Dole to provide for the mandatory inspection of rabbits slaughtered for human food, and for other purposes.

Senator Dole, in proposing S.43, said that rabbit processing plants in Kansas were paying large sums of money for USDA inspection on a voluntary basis. But, plants slaughtering other meat animals or poultry receive this inspection service at no charge as a means to fulfill the Wholesome Meat and Poultry Acts.

Dole said that S.43 would provide for the same USDA inspection service to slaughtering and processing plants for rabbits that is provided processors of other animals prepared for consumer food.