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SENATOR DOLE WILL FIGHT MEAT ROLL BACK LEGISLATION

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan.) assured a group of Kansas Farm Bureau leaders here this week he would do everything in his power to defeat pending legislation to roll back meat prices to January 10, 1973 levels.

"Such a roll back of meat prices would be a devastating blow to the Kansas economy," said Dole, "in fact it would cost our cattlemen nearly \$300 million overnight."

The Kansas Senator also told the group that he had already cast three votes against meat roll back legislation offered by Eastern senators and would continue to work against other legislation that discriminated against the farmer in the future.

"The Congress is legitimately concerned over the cost of food these days but passing legislation that would deny American farmers the ability to make a decent living isn't the answer. Instead of lowering the cost of meat, roll back legislation might well do just the reverse and actually lead to a shortage of beef that would raise the cost to the consumer," he added.

Mrs. Wavern Scott, state chairman of Farm Bureau Women, headed the group of Kansas Farm Bureau members who met with Senator Dole to express their concern over runaway inflation. They told Senator Dole that food prices have risen because of excessive consumer demand in relation to available supplies.

All Farm Bureau districts in Kansas were represented in the meeting with Senator Dole. Representing the 10 districts were: Adam Huss, Troy; Russell Sylvester, Ottawa; Jim Strong, Moran; John Russell, Eureka; George Fredrickson, Concordia; Francis Sweat, Cedar; Gary Yeakley, Hoisington; Harry Shank, Ness City; Stuart Lower, Sublette, and Lester W. Grecian, Palco.