



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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TELEGRAM TO THE HONORABLE EARL L. BUTZ—SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE  
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On August 3, the Congress gave final approval to the 1973 Farm Bill and cleared it for the President's signature. The bill contains a provision authored by Senator McGovern and myself which requires action on your part to assure "an orderly, adequate and steady supply" of agricultural products if such supplies are threatened by any price control, freeze or other economic policy.

As you know America today faces a serious beef shortage brought about by the Phase IV freeze on beef prices until September 12.

The President is expected to sign the farm bill into law; and I call on you, immediately thereafter, to fully exercise your authority under the Dole-McGovern amendment to end the freeze on beef prices and restore adequate supplies in the marketplace.