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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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DOLE URGES DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY SOURCES

WASHINGTON, D.C.--In a letter, Senator Bob Dole today urged the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs to include two amendments in the National Energy Research and Development Policy Act of 1973. This act, now under final consideration by the Committee, authorizes programs of research and development for new sources of fuel.

The first amendment suggested by Senator Dole would establish a program to further develop the use of grain alcohol as a fuel additive. A report from the Department of Agriculture indicates that production of grain alcohol as an additive is technically feasible and that its use would reduce pollution and assist in meeting the current short supply of fuel.

The second measure would develop a pilot program for converting feedlot and other organic waste materials for fuel. In his letter the Senator stated, "Several methods now exist to convert wastes into fuel but a pilot program is needed to develop the economic feasibility tof these methods and to explore the possibility of conversion on a large scale."

Concerning the two proposed amendments, Senator Dole said, "With an energy shortage so close at hand, we cannot afford to overlook further development of already existing methods for increasing our fuel supply and I urge the Committee to adopt both of these measures."

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