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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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DOLE AGRICULTURAL ENERGY AMENDMENT PASSES SENATE

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The Senate Monday passed a \$15 million agricultural energy amendment authored by Senator Bob Dole.

The amendment would establish a three-year research and development program to be undertaken by America's land grant colleges. The program would be directed toward developing new energy sources, technologies and techniques to conserve energy in agricultural operations and make them more efficient. The findings and results of the research program would be made available by the Agricultural Extension Service to farmers, processors and others involved in the production of food and fiber in this country.

The Dole amendment became part of the Energy Conservation Act which was passed by the Senate and sent to the House of Representatives.

In debate on the amendment Senator Dole said, "It is crucial that every effort be made to assure that adequate fuels are available for agriculture, and conservation is a major way to achieve this. Increased farm production for domestic needs and export markets is essential to the Nations's well being. But fuel shortages threaten to thwart this goal, so we must see that every drop is put to maximum use in the production, processing and distribution four food and fiber."

The program established by my amendment," Dole said, "will harness the great resources of our land grant colleges and universities to finding new ways of saving energy in agriculture. It may point the way to new farming techniques for saving fuel. Nuclear, solar and other forms of energy may be harnessed to make for more efficient processing operations. Energy saving shortcuts may be identified throughout the agricultural sector."

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