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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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DOLE FINDS SUPPORT FOR ENDING WINTER DAYLIGHT TIME

La Cygne, Kansas. Senator Bob Dole said today he continues to find strong evidence that Kansans are being subjected to excessive hardship and inconvenience by Winter Daylight Saving Time.

"As I travel around the State I have yet to find any indication that extended morning darkness is saving energy, and I have heard many serious complaints from farmers, parents of school-age children and many others," the Senator said.

Concerning the repeal of Winter Daylight Time, Senator Dole said he has conferred with members of the Kansas Legislature and believes there is interest in a State law to return most of the State to Standard Time. Under the new law which went into effect January 6, a State having two time zones as Kansas does, can exempt its eastern zone from daylight time by State law in order to put the whole State on one uniform time.

"I have also consulted with some of the Washington congressional delegations of neighboring States and believe there is growing response to my proposal for repeal of the federal law."

"I voted aginst the new Daylight Saving Time Act last year and am more convinced than ever that it is not a worthwhile energy-saving measure. My bill to repeal it is being drafted now, and it will be introduced when the Senate begins its new session later this month."