

## News from Senator

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### DOLE DETERMINED TO PUSH AHEAD WITH FARM BILL PACKAGE DESPITE DEMOCRAT ONSTRUCTIONS

WASHINGTON -- DESPITE DEMOCRAT ROADBLOCKS IN THE SENATE, KANSAS SENATOR BOB DOLE SAID TODAY HE IS DETERMINED TO PUSH THROUGH A LEGISLATIVE PACKAGE THIS WEEK THAT WILL CORRECT KEY ELEMENTS OF THE 1985 FARM BILL.

"I've heard our farmers loud and clear--they want the confusion in the farm bill over bases and yields cleared up. Unfortunately, a few of my Democrat colleagues used this legislation last week as a way to posture and delay, claiming they are protecting farmers' interests," Dole said. "It was the same political game playing that delayed the farm bill last year until Kansas farmers had already planted their wheat. Farmers want the Congress to get these corrections made and then to get out of their way. I'll be back on the senate floor tomorrow to force consideration of my bill before program sign-up begins on Thursday."

The Dole legislation will limit the potential impact of the new yield formula on producer returns for 1986 and 1987 crops. Some producers will otherwise face yield reductions of up to 20 or 25%. The bill also resolves the controversy over the so-called underplanting or "92-50" provision: Farmers will be able to try out new crops without losing their program base, but they will not be subsidized in competition with producers of non-program crop.

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