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SENATOR DOLE APPOINTS SENATOR WARREN RUDMAN TO CHAIR SENATE ETHICS COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON -Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-Ks.) today announced that Senator Warren B. Rudman (R-N.H.), has been appointed chairman of the Senate Ethics Committee.

"During his years in public life, Senator Rudman has developed a reputation for addressing important and sensitive issues with a refreshing degree of candor and precision," Dole said.

"Not only is Senator Rudman a hard-working and effective member of the Senate, but he also has a distinguished record of past public service as a former New Hampshire Attorney General and past president of the National Association of Attorneys General," the Majority Leader said.

Dole noted the Senate Ethics Committee is responsible for reviewing any complaint alleging a violation of the law, the Senate Code of Official Conduct, or any other rule or regulation of the Senate relating to the conduct of individuals in the performance of their duties as members, officers, or employees of the Senate.

"The chairman and other members of the Ethics Committee must ensure that the Senate's rules relating to conduct are enforced," Dole said. "Senator Rudman is known as a man of integrity and I am certain he will carry out his duties in a forthright and bipartisan manner."

The Senate's Select Committee on Ethics is made up of three Republicans and three Democrats, with the majority party of the Senate appointing the chairman and the minority party appointing the vice-chairman.

In addition to investigating allegations of improper conduct, the Ethics Committee is responsible for administering and interpreting regulations and laws relating to the use of the mailing frank and the receipt of foreign gifts and decorations. The committee also issues interpretive rulings and advisory opinions explaining and clarifying the Code of Official Conduct.

Elected to the Senate in 1980, Senator Rudman currently sits on the Appropriations Committee, Governmental Affairs Committee, and the Senate Committee on Small Business.

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