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"PASSAGE OF ABC BILL MEANS AMERICAN FAMILIES ARE THE LOSERS"
DOLE REJECTS "BIG GOVERNMENT MANDATES" FOR CHILD CARE

MR PRESIDENT:

THE SENATE IS ABOUT TO ANOINT A CHILD CARE BILL THAT IGNORES THE NEEDS AND WISHES OF MILLIONS OF AMERICAN WORKING FAMILIES WITH YOUNG CHILDREN.

IT IS ABOUT TO GO ON RECORD AS REJECTING THE HELPING HAND OF CHILD CARE CHOICE -- AND REPLACING IT WITH A RULE BOOK -- A FLOW CHART -- A CERTIFICATE AND AN INSPECTOR -- A GIANT BUILDING IN WASHINGTON SOME DAY -- AND ALL THE OTHER RED TAPE PARAGONS OF GOVERNMENT MEDDLING.

EVEN WORSE, THIS ACT IS ABOUT TO UNDERMINE ONE OF THE AMERICA'S MOST CHERISHED FREEDOMS -- THE FREEDOM TO DECIDE WHAT IS BEST FOR OUR CHILDREN.

"ABC" SOUNDS GOOD

OH, THIS BILL SOUNDS GOOD. VERY GOOD. WHO ON EARTH COULD BE AGAINST AN "ACT FOR BETTER CHILD CARE"? WELL, MILLIONS OF AMERICANS WILL BE ONCE THEY FIND OUT WHAT'S IN THIS 'ABC' PACKAGE OF MANDATES AND MISCHIEF.

THIS IS A CLASSIC 'INSIDE-THE-BELTWAY' BILL. IT SOUNDS GOOD.....UNTIL YOU GO OUT IN THE REAL WORLD, LIKE RUSSELL, KANSAS. THE PEOPLE IN MY HOMETOWN AREN'T YELLING FOR GOVERNMENT. THEY'RE YELLING AT IT.

THEY DON'T NEED ANY MORE GOVERNMENT IN THEIR LIVES, ESPECIALLY WHEN THE LONG ARM OF BUREAUCRACY COMES BETWEEN WORKING FAMILIES AND THEIR CHILDREN.

NO MORE BIG GOVERNMENT

IF THERE IS ONE OVERRIDING MESSAGE -- ONE THEME, ONE LESSON -- FROM THE PAST THREE PRESIDENTIAL LANDSLIDES, IT IS THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE FED-UP WITH BIG GOVERNMENT. THAT'S A MESSAGE WE OUGHT TO BE HEARING LOUD AND CLEAR AS WE TALK ABOUT CHILD CARE.