# SENATOR BOB DOLE REMARKS PREPARED FOR DELIVERY NEW HAMPSHIRE GOP CONVENTION SEPTEMBER 25, 1994

The first thing I want to do this morning is to thank New Hampshire for sending two outstanding Senators to Washington, D.C.

No one has done a better job of fighting the Clinton effort to gut our national defense than Bob Smith. He's tough. He's no nonsense. And he gets things done. And a lot of people are talking about another race here in New Hampshire in 1996—but the most important priority in 1996 is re-electing Bob Smith.

And Judd Gregg is one of the unsung heroes of the health care debate. Republican Senators were all assigned to teams having to do with various issues of the debate. We had a bureaucracy team. We had a mandate team. And we had many others. And these teams were tasked with making the Republican case, and responding to Democrat arguments. Judd was the coordinator of all the teams, and during the days we debated the Mitchell bills, he was never far from the Senate floor. And he did an outstanding job.

As a I meet with candidates in Washington and travel across the country campaigning, I see a lot of survey and poll numbers. Now, I've been a little bit skeptical about surveys ever since my pollster whistled "Hail to the Chief" to me here in New Hampshire...but when you survey after survey after survey saying the same thing, you begin to believe.

And the surveys I've seen in the past few weeks, in ever section of the country, are all bringing good news to Republicans. Republican candidates are not only ahead in the races where we should be ahead; but we're also ahead in races which we thought would be very close, and we're even ahead or close in races that we had all been written off.

And as I look at the surveys, one number comes to my mind. The number 47. A gain of 40 seats in the House, and a gain of 7 seats in the Senate, will give Republicans control of the Congress for the first time in 40 years. And when Charlie Bass is elected in New Hampshire, that number will be 46. And when Olympia Snowe wins that Senate race in Maine, that number will be 45.

There's a lot of reasons why the numbers are going our way. And one reason can be seen in the fact that, according to one recent survey, 70% of Americans believe America is moving in the wrong direction.

And no doubt about it, under the Clinton administration, America is moving in the wrong direction in just about every area you can name.

Taxes? President Clinton's direction is one that involved the biggest tax increase in American history.

Government? Despite the talk of reinventing government, President Clinton is moving in the direction of unrelenting government. More bureaucrats. More mandates. More regulation. More control for those who work in Washington, D.C., and less control for those who live and work in New Hampshire.

Health care? You know the direction the President was recommending. A direction where the best health care system in the world would be torn apart and turned over to the federal government.

By the way, like all Senators, I received thousands and thousands of letters on health care. But the best one I saw was one from Judd Gregg passed on to me. It was so good, I read it to the Senate during my opening statement of the health care debate.

It was from Dr. John Schermerhorn, a doctor here in New Hampshire. And he detailed how his son almost drowned, and might not have made it without the outstanding medical care he received--medical care he might not have received under the Clinton bill.

And Dr. Schermerhorn concluded his letter by writing,

"The choice comes down to a simple question: If you were in my place, would you want the freedom to determine your child's care and outcome, or would you rather be forced to accept whatever the government will give you..."

Quality. Choice. Freedom. Americans correctly concluded that all three of those hallmarks of our health care system would be lost if the President's plan was adopted.

Crime is another area where President Clinton and the Democrat congress moved in the wrong direction. Their plan was to throw billions and billions of dollars at social programs, and to strip the bill of many of its toughest provisions.

And can anyone here look at the foreign policy of the Clinton administration and say we're headed in the right direction?

To paraphrase Forrest Gump, the "Clinton health care plan is like a box of chocolates--you never know what you're going to get next."

One day, those in charge in Haiti are bloodthirsty, murdering, tyrants. The next day, they're just honest public servants who care about their country.

One day, we talk tough on Bosnia. The next day we sit idly by as the slaughter continues.

One day, our mission in Somalia is preventing starvation. The next day it's nation building, and American soldiers are being shot.

One day, President Clinton is in charge of our foreign policy, the next day it's Boutros Boutros Ghali, and the next day, it's Jimmy Carter.

So, yes, Republicans are being helped by the Clinton Administration. We're being helped because 7 out of 10 Americans believe the President is moving America in the wrong direction. And they're right.

And there are some who have suggested that all Republicans need to do in the next 44 days is nothing. Do nothing. Sit still, and let President Clinton send voters our way.

I disagree. I think Republicans have to do more. It's not good enough just to say President Clinton and the Democrats are taking us in the wrong direction. We also have to lay out what the right direction is, and how Republicans will get us there.

And that's just what the Senate Republicans did last week. We had a little meeting outside the Capitol of Republican senators seeking re-election, and our candidates in open seats and in Democrat seats.

And we made a little compact with the American people. We said if you give us seven more Republicans in the Senate, here are seven things we pledge to make our to priorities. And we listed those seven initiatives:

\*A balanced budget amendment

\*Doubling the income tax exemption for children, thereby putting more money in the pockets of America's families.

\*Repealing the Clinton tax increase on Social Security benefits.

\*Health care reform that fixes what needs to be fixed, while maintaining the quality and choice that are the hallmarks of our system.

\*True anti-crime legislation that is based on prisons and punishment, rather than the pork barrel.

\*We'll reform welfare so that it's based on work, more individual responsibility, and less federal spending.

\*And we'll stop the gutting of our national defense.

Those are just seven ideas which we work for, and which will put America on the right track. And I can think of some more, like a line item veto, and like a reduction in the capital gains tax rate.

So that's the compact that we've made with the American people. And I know that Newt Gingrich, Charlie Bass, and Bill Zeliff will be making their own compact this coming week.

Which reminds me that another idea worth putting on top of our agenda is something like Bill Zeliff's A to Z spending reduction plan. And I would love to see Bill Zeliff leading the fight for that plan as a member of the majority party in the House.

Let me tell you another reason why Republicans can't just sit on the sidelines. Why we have to get out and let Americans know what we'd do if we had a majority in Congress.

And that's the fact that many Americans don't know that Congress is controlled by the Democrats. In fact, a recent survey asked Americans to name the party in control of Congress. And only 60% said the Democrats. 40% said the Republicans, or said they didn't know.

Now, I know 100% of this audience knows the Democrats are in control...so there are an awful lot of your friends and neighbors who are confused...and who need to know that the Democrats have controlled the House for the last 40 years, and the Senate for 34 of the last 40 years.

And the message I'll be taking from end of the country to the other over the next 44 days, is that the best way to get America to change direction, is to change the party that controls Congress.

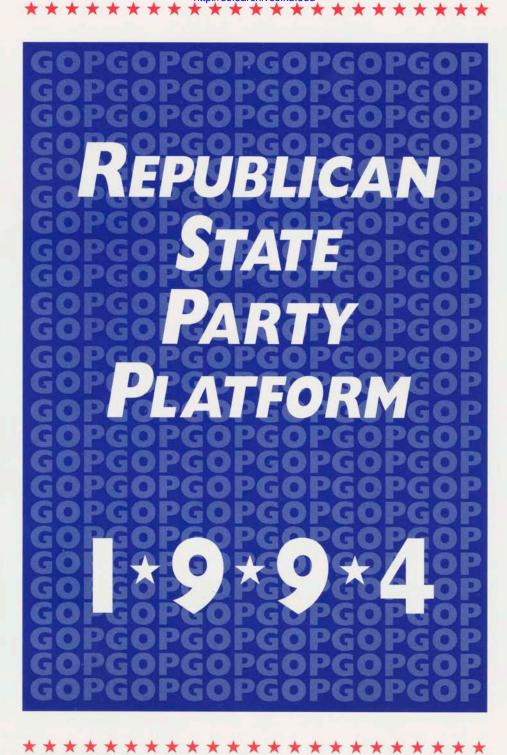
Let me end this afternoon by giving you a little "insider's briefing" about the gains we hope to make in the Senate.

I have three put three Republican gains in the bank. Olympia Snowe in Maine. John Kyl in Arizona. And Mike DeWine in Ohio.

After that, we are looking to Virginia, where the first survey after Doug Wilder dropped out put Ollie North in the lead. And then there's California where our candidate has come from nowhere to neck and neck. And there's Massachusetts, where Mitt Romney is giving Ted Kennedy the race of his career. And there's two races in Tennessee. Jim Sasser, one of the most liberal Democrats in the Senate, is so scared, he's running ads that make you think he votes just like Jesse Helms. And there's Pennsylvania, where Democrat Harris Wofford is trying to make voters forget he was the strongest supporter of the Clinton health plan. And there's Michigan where Spence Abraham is moving ahead of a very liberal Democrat Congressman.

We're also optimistic about our chances in Governor's races...There's no doubt that Steve Merrill has done an outstanding job, and more than deserves a second term...And we're also looking at gains in New York, Florida, Pennsylvania, and maybe even Texas and Georgia. In fact, after November, there is a chance that 11 of our 12 largest states will have Republican Governors.

Thank you for all you are doing for Republicans here in New Hampshire. And thank you for all you will do in the next 44 days. Working together, we can change directions, and put America back on track.



## **PREAMBLE**

We, the Republican Party, meeting in Convention in Manchester, on Sunday, the twenty-fifth day of September, 1994, do hereby adopt the following statements of principles and beliefs to represent our Party for the next biennium in the State of New Hampshire.

#### We believe:

- ★ New Hampshire government exists for the benefit, protection and security of its free and independent citizens, their families and communities.
- ★ New Hampshire's government, political parties and elected officials must above all else respect each citizen's, each family's and each community's freedom and independence.
- ★ This respect will guide the state both in acting to protect these fundamental elements of New Hampshire society and to refrain from actions which unnecessarily limit or interfere with our freedom and independence.

We believe our people should come before the government and before politics. Our party's foremost desire is to reflect the will of the people.

The strength of the Republican Party is its historic ability to establish and uphold principles of limited government and human dignity which are shared by persons of many diverse opinions, interests, and backgrounds. Republicans are united by a basic philosophy of respect for the dignity, individual liberties, and responsibilities of each member of society and of

confidence in the strength of our families, churches and communities.

This Platform seeks to record our common principles and beliefs and to apply them to our aspirations and visions for the future of New Hampshire.

# JOBS AND THE ECONOMY

A strong New Hampshire economy will underwrite all our other efforts to benefit and protect our citizens. It secures the livelihoods of our families and generates the revenue needed to help those with limited ability to help themselves. We remain committed to making New Hampshire the best place in the nation to live, to visit and to do business, from small business to traditional manufacturing, to the latest emerging technology. Our state's leading role in the economic recovery of New England and top rating as the best place to live will not make us complacent; we will reinforce our success.

Our approach to economic development focuses on creating a supportive business climate and increasing tourism.

Our goal is the creation of jobs, expanding markets both at home and abroad, and the development of productive employment with safety, rewards, and dignity for all workers, including our youth. We support equal pay for equal work. We will continue our emphasis on educating and training our work force, and graduating students in state-of-the-art technology and school-to-work programs to keep them one of the finest work forces in the nation.

# TAXES AND SPENDING

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During the recent economic recession, it was the Republican Party that refused to abandon its principles that taxes will not stimulate economic growth but rather, suppress it. Our Party rejected higher taxes and more government spending; and, instead, lowered taxes, attracted business development and helped expand the economy. We believe controlling spending and not raising taxes are the best ways to protect the economic well-being of New Hampshire residents.

We continue to support local, state and federal efforts to ensure stable employment at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard.

We reaffirm our traditional strong opposition to any broad-based sales, income or statewide property tax. Such new taxes would damage our economy. We must maintain a tax system that is consistent with our commitment to making New Hampshire a desirable place for people to live, work, raise their families, and locate their businesses.

# THE FAMILY

A society is only as strong as its members. It is in families that we develop morality, integrity, responsibility, and concern for others. It is there we learn to love our country and have faith in God. We place our highest priority on promoting and protecting the traditional family as the most important facet of human development. We will only support legislation to

strengthen family life. We continue to endorse the rights of all children to a healthy and normal family environment.

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We recognize the need to protect the rights of children, both born and unborn, and to protect their rights as individuals against injustice.

We realize the family's most important function is to raise the next generation of Americans. We also recognize that the demands on families are greater than ever and in order to maintain a solid family structure we encourage child care programs which meet the needs of both parents and children. We also support both pre-natal and post-natal care.

We remain committed to the financial security, physical well-being, and quality of life of our older citizens. Their wisdom and experience are precious resources and we must continue to recognize their special needs by providing opportunities for personalized home health care and less expensive alternatives to hospital stays.

# CRIME

We continue to support increased efforts to enforce penalties against those who commit crimes of violence. We also support the efforts of our law enforcement agencies to reduce the terror on our highways from drunken drivers. We support the Governor and Republican Legislators' strong leadership roles in making our state as free as possible from substance abuse and commit ourselves to attack this complicated problem in a comprehensive program of law enforcement, education, prevention, rehabilitation, and treatment.

# **EDUCATION**

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The education of our citizens is our hope and our future. We recognize parents as the first teachers. We believe that local control and parental involvement create the strongest, best-managed school systems. We are convinced that spending per student is not an accurate measure of school quality. We credit our students, parents and teachers for New Hampshire students being rated at the top of the nation in performance. We are also proud of our post-secondary vocational-technical education and rehabilitation training programs, as well as our University system with its national reputation.

A strong education encourages good citizenship, higher self-esteem and informed participation in public affairs. We encourage programs which provide choice in education to allow children to receive the best education available.

We recognize the false hope and empty promise which broad-based taxes hold out to hard-pressed families as a way of providing educational resources at little cost. Our goal should not be to hide the cost of education, but to meet it as efficiently as possible. Citizens who control their own education budgets have the strongest incentives to spend the money wisely. We know that adding money and power to the state will not save money or protect the power of our communities. We do not believe one community should be pitted against the next in an effort to raise money from one locality to support another.

We are committed to the improvement of education so

that our students will be able to compete in a complex and changing world.

# **ENVIRONMENT**

It is vital that our society commit itself to the preservation of our natural resources. Vigorous protection of our environment is crucial if we are to maintain our special quality of life. We realize that our state parks, lands, lakes and waterways are valuable and significant assets which require diligent statewide protection. In addition, we recognize the need to deal effectively with the issues posed by waste disposal. We support the continued efforts of our Republican leadership to encourage recycling, and develop solutions to the technical and financial problems that confront us in this area. We are stewards of the environment, not only for this generation but also for future generations.

We applaud and encourage continued efforts to protect, develop and market New Hampshire agricultural products. We further encourage good forestry practices for the full utilization of this natural resource. Both are resources vital to the preservation of jobs in New Hampshire.

# GOVERNMENT

Government does not have to be large and pervasive to be creative and successful. We believe that all government should be both open and in touch with its citizens without interfering in their personal, daily lives. New Hampshire is proud to be the birthplace of the Republican Party, which was established at a meeting convened by Amos Tuck in Exeter on October 12, 1853. We reaffirm our first-in-the-nation presidential primary as the best test of whether someone should serve in the highest office of the land.

We reaffirm that New Hampshire is a sovereign state in a nation of states and oppose centralization of power. We support our Republican Congressional Delegation in its efforts to stop Washington from mandating unfunded federal programs on our state and local governments. We would hold the federal government to the same standard against unfunded mandates as we do our state government under the New Hampshire Constitution. To further curb the growth of government in Washington, we support term limits for members of Congress.

We continue to support the rights of all citizens to own firearms without government interference.

We are and have been historically the party of leadership and ideas in New Hampshire. We have been a majority in our citizen legislature for over a century. New Hampshire's unique quality of life has been nurtured by careful stewardship and the hard work of generations of visionary Republicans.

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#### Chairman:

Betty Tamposi, Nashua

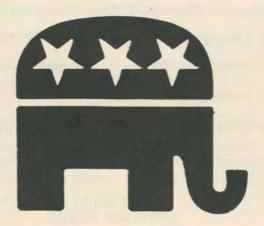
#### Co-Chairman:

Wayne MacDonald, Londonderry Sherry Young, Concord

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# 1994

**★New Hampshire Republican★ ★State Convention★** 



Sunday, September 25, 1994

Amoskeag Pavilion 200 Bedford Street Manchester, NH



# The New Hampshire Republican

#### State Convention

#### Program

Call to Order:

Stephen Duprey

Chairman, NH Republican State Committee

Invocation:

Robert Scott

Chairman, Sullivan County Republican Committee

Pledge of Allegiance:

Kevin Chalbeck

Norris Cotton Award Recipient

National Anthem:

Amy MacNeil

Welcome to Manchester:

Mayor Raymond Wieczorek

Introduction of Guests:

Stephen Duprey

Governor Merrill Senator Smith Senator Gregg Congressman Zeliff Candidate Bass **Executive Council Candidates** State Senate Candidates State Representative Candidates Candidates for County Offices

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Keynote Address:

Senator Robert Dole

Minority Leader, U.S. Senate

Remarks:

Senator Smith

Senator Gregg

Congressman Zeliff

Candidate Bass

Governor Merrill

Committee Reports:

Introduced by Georgi Hippauf

Assistant Chairman, NH Republican State Committee

Rules Committee:

Thomas Burack, Chairman

Adoption of the Rules

Organization Committee: Hon. Ruth Griffin, Chairman

Adoption of the Committee Report

Credentials Committee: Karen Rouillard, Chairman

Adoption of the Report

Platform Committee:

Betty Tamposi, Chairman

Wayne MacDonald and

Sherry Young, Co-Chairmen

Adoption of the Committee Report

Other Business

Benediction:

Steve Root

Chairman, NH Young Republicans

Adjourn



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## **Convention Organization**

Chairman: Stephen Duprey

Assistant Chairman: Georgi Hippauf

Secretary: Gerrie Porter

Sergeant at Arms: Claffe Mayo

Parliamentarian: Thomas Burack

Arrangement: Charlie Arlinghaus

Lee Anne Steiner

Jeff Lucy

Carrie Kuss

Darrell Halen

Tim Rodenberger

Young Republicans of NH

Credentials: Karen Rouillard

Organization: Hon. Ruth Griffin

Rules: Thomas Burack

Platform and Resolutions: Betty Tamposi

Chairman

Wayne MacDonald

Co-Chairman

Sherry Young
Co-Chairman

Music: Music Maximus Neil Flewelling

Sound: Malloy Sound

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1:02 pm- ATTEND/SPEAK New Hampshire Republican State Convention

2:30 pm

Location

Attendance:

Event runs:

Press: Facility:

Headtable:

Amoskeag Pavillion
400
1:00 - 4:00 pm
Open
Stage, podium and mic, headtable on stage
Senator Dole
Merrill

Georgie Hippauf, Assist. Party Chairman Carol Holden, Pres. of National Federation of

Republican Women

Format:

1:30 pm Steve Duprey, State Party Chairman,

introduces Senator Dole

1:35 pm Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact:

LeAnn Steiner

603/225 -9341

TO: Senator Dole

FR: Kerry

RE: Aspen Briefing Book

The following information is contained in the Briefing Book:

- CONFERENCE BACKGROUND: Schedule, list of participants, background on MR. Forstmann.
- 2. ECONOMY: Memo from David Taylor on Clintonomics and Republican economic principles.
- 3. FEDERAL RESERVE: Memo from David Taylor containing latest information and talking points on interest rates.
- 4. FOREIGN POLICY: Background from Randy on Haiti, North Korea, Russia, and other general foreign policy issues.
  - 5. GATT: Talking poitns from Rolf.
  - 6. GRIDLOCK: Your New York Times op/ed on bi-partisanship
- 6. HEALTH CARE: July polling numbers from Teeter relating to health care; September health care polling numbers from Fabrizio/McLaughlin; Memo from Haley Barbour; copy of your floor statement on anniversary of Clinton speech; Copy of Congressman Dingell's letter to President Clinton
  - 7. JOHN KERRY: Background information on Senator Kerry
- 8. NEW HAMPSHIRE SPEECH: Copy of speech prepared for New Hampshire GOP; contains some good political rhetoric. (The New Hampshire speech contains material on the recent Wirthlin "right track/wrong direction poll." I noticed reading the McLaughlin transcript that McLaughlin said the figure was 80% saying America is on the wrong track. That is incorrect. The actual results were 20% saying America is heading in the right direction, and, as stated in your New Hampshire speech, 70% saying America headed in the wrong direction, and 10% no answer or no opinion.
- 9. POLLS: Information from recent Times Mirror poll on new political landscape.
- 10. SEVEN MORE IN '94: Background from this weeks NRSC event.
  - 11. SUPERFUND: Memo from Barbara on future of Superfund
- 12. TELECOMMUNICATIONS: Memo from David Wilson with latest information on telecommunications.

This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu Letter is marticularly Remarks Dr. John Schermehorn North Hamphy, New Hompshire UNITED STATES SENATE WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510 July 22, 1994 JUDD GREGG NEW HAMPSHIRE The Honorable Robert Dole United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510 Dear Bob: Enclosed is a handwritten note from a gentlemen in New Hampshire whose son nearly drowned and who, as a result, has some very strong opinions on the Clinton health care proposal. He asked that I personally convey this to you, and I would appreciate it if someone on your staff could draft a response which could \ be personalized by yourself. Sincerely, Enclosure Page 17 of 90

Dear Senator,

I am a husband and father of four Children and also happen to be a physician. My priorities in life are in that order Recently, my ten year-old son (aur haby ) was a victim of a near drowning. Thanks to the intervention of people at the scene, he survived the initial incident and was transported to a nearby hospital where he received superb care and treatment, was stabilized, and then sent to the Children's Hospital in Boston - about an hour away from where we were in New Hampshire.

with God's help and the outstanding care and treatment that he received in the Intensive Core Unit at Children's, my son is awake, alert and sitting up in his room - surviving with virtually all his physical and mental faculties intact. We were truly blessed and are forever thankful to God and all those He guided in my son's care.

After the initial crisis had passed, I sat in quiet reflection of the entire opiside, and it downed on me with chilling clarity that, had the Clinton Health Plan been in effect, the outcome could have been drudically different.

In the scheme of things that are proposed,

we would not have been able to Sand our son to Boston, but would have been relegated to some other hospital, if any. The penalty for going against the plan would be a ten thousand dollar fine and possible jail sontence. How utterly ludicrous and insome that is yet it is there in black and white!

It is obvious to me that this plan could only be devised by a lawyer and others who baven't a clux as to what health care in this country is all about. I awe my son's life to free choice of where he was to get his care, for Hillary Clinton to make the statement that "we can do it better", concerning government run health care as she did publicly on television, clearly shows that she has absolutely ho comprehension of the subject of which she speaks.

It is important to note that, as I write this, I am imbured with feelings of gratitude, relief and thankfulness because of my son's recovery. I have no feelings of rancor - just fear that events could have been taken out of my control and put into the hands of some unseen, uncaring, hear counting beaucracrat who's only concern is compliance to a government policy that only leads to mundane mediacrity.

One only has to look at the present Medicaire system to see what the future has in store. The myriad of iname federal wandates has risen the average administrative costs in a hospital from 6% to 25% At present 30% of my produce is Medicare and my average rate of return is 20 cents on the dollar. If this kind of federal control became "universal", I could make a better living as a plumber, carpenter or a government employee. The impact on hospitals, and healthcare providers would be absolutely devastating,

It is also important to point out, as a healthcare provider myself with thirty years experience in various capacities, that my son's care would have been no different had he been uninsured or on medicaid. In the field of healthcare with very few exceptions, the fact that they are insured or not makes absolutely no difference whatsoever, whatever meds to be done is done wherever and whenever necessary. That is the true essense of healthcare in this country as we know it today, and that is the element that is in greatest jeg pridy with the Clinton flan

Keep those thoughts in mind when thinking about or discussing the healthcare issue. The chaice comes down to a simple question: If you were in my place, would you

want the freedom to determine your child's care and outcome, or would you rather be forced to accept whatever the government will give you or risk being treated as a criminal for wanting the best possible chance for his or her survival. That is the true "crisis" in healthcare today All the other problems Seem trivial in comparison and those have workable solutions. God similed on us and we are truly thankful. Will big brother allow thim to Smile on you? I will porder that each and every time I look at my son's beautiful, wanderful, I ving, breathing and Smiling Face

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John J. Schermerhorn, m.D.

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North Hampton, N.H. 03862

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1994

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12:50 pm DEPART Forum for Fundraising Luncheon for Bruce Benson

Driver: Drive time: Sean Murphy 15 minutes

Location:

Home of John and Carolyn Saeman

576 S. Elizabeth Street

Polo Club Place

1:05 pm ARRIVE Home of John and Carolyn Benson 303/871-9084

1:05 pm- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundraising Luncheon for Bruce Benson

1:55 pm

Attendance:

75 @ \$250 per person

Event runs:

1:00 - 2:00 pm

Press:

Closed

Facility:

Outside on patio, tables of 10

Format:

1:10 pm John Saeman introduces Bruce Benson 1:15 pm Bruce Benson introduces Senator Dole

1:20 pm Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact:

Ann Benson

Stacey Oswalt 1-800-223-6766

1:55 pm DEPART Luncheon for Stapleton Airport

Driver:

Sean Murphy

Drive time:

15 minutes

2:10 pm ARRIVE airport and proceed to departing aircraft

FBO:

AMR Combs

303/790-2575

2:15 pm DEPART Denver, CO for Milwaukee, WI

FBO:

Signature

Aircraft:

Gulfstream 3 (American Financial)

Tail number: 232 HC

Flight time:

2 hours

Pilots:

Pat Maginnis

Ray Smith

Seats:

12

Meal:

Snack

Manifest:

Senator Dole

Mike Glassner

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 1994

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5:15 pm ARRIVE Milwaukee, WI

FBO:

Signature

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5:20 pm- Press Avail with Governor Thompson and Robert Welch, US Senate candidate

5:40 pm

Location:

Signature

Format:

State GOP Chairman, David Opitz, introduces

Governor Thompson

Governor Thompson gives remarks David Opitz introduces Robert Welch

Robert Welch gives remarks

David Opitz introduces Senator Dole

Scnator Dole gives remarks

5:40 pm DEPART airport for Fundraising Reception for Wisconsin State GOP

Driver:

Dave Opitz, State GOP Chairman

Drive time:

20 minutes

Location:

University Club North Library

924 E. Wells

6:00 pm- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundraising Rountable Discussion for Wisconsin State

6:45 pm GOP

414/271-2222

Location:

North Library

Attendance:

40 @ \$1,000 per person

Event runs:

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Press:

Closed

Facility:

Hollow square scating

Format:

State GOP Finance Chairman, Rick Graber, gives

welcome

David Opitz gives remarks

Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact:

Scott Matter

312/281-1688

312/281-1883 fax

6:45 pm DEPART Reception for airport

Driver:

Dave Opitz

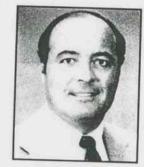
Drive time:

20 minutes

7:05 pm ARRIVE airport and proceed to departing aircraft



#### David Opitz Chairman



#### Present

Chairman, Republican Party of Wisconsin, elected -January 10, 1991 Member, State of Wisconsin Development Finance Board

#### **Previous**

Member, Wisconsin State Elections Board Governor's Committee on Long Term Care of Solid and Hazardous Waste Landfills Volunteer, Wisconsin Foundation of Independent Colleges Wisconsin Republican Party Second Vice Chairman, 1989 -1991 Ozaukee County Membership Chairman, 1986 - 1988 State Senate, 1979 - 1984 State Assembly, 1973 - 1979

#### **RNC Activity**

Member, Committee on Call, Republican National Convention, 1992

#### Personal

Spouse: Nancy Children: Two

Education: B.S., Carroll College

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(608) 257-4765 (GOP) (608) 257-4141 (GOP-fax) (414) 285-3898 (h)

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#### Michael W. Grebe National Committeeman



#### Present

National Committeeman, Wisconsin, elected - August 22, 1984 Member, Board of Regents, University of Wisconsin, 1991 -Partner, Foley and Lardner

#### **Previous**

U.S. Army, 1962 - 1967 National Steering Committee, Reagan for President, 1980 State Campaign Chairman, Kasten for Senate, 1980, 1986 State Co-Chairman, Reagan - Bush, 1984 U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors, 1985 - 1991 Chairman, U.S. Military Academy Board of Visitors, 1990 - 1991

#### **RNC Activity**

Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1984, 1988, 1992 Member, RNC Rules Committee, 1989 -Chairman, RNC Rules Committee, 1989 - 1992 Member, Council of Legal Advisors, RNC

#### Personal

Spouse: Peggy Children: Two

Education: B.S., U.S. Military Academy,

J.D., University of Michigan

Foley and Lardner 777 East Wisconsin Avenue Suite 3800 Milwaukee, WI 53202-5367

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#### Mary Buestrin National Committeewoman



#### Present

National Committeewoman, Wisconsin, elected -August 18, 1992

Member, Finance Committee, Republican Party of Wisconsin Executive Committee, Republican Party of Ozaukee County, 1962 -

Wisconsin Federation of Republican Women, 1970 -First Ladies Club of Wisconsin Ozaukee Unit of Republican Women Executive Director, Coalition for Wisconsin, 1989 -Vice President, Park Ward Associates, 1978 -

#### Previous

Steering Committee, Reagan - Bush Campaign, 1980, 1984 Chairman, Member, National Advisory Council on Continuing Education, 1982 - 1987

Wisconsin Women for Bush- Quayle, 1988

Wisconsin Groups Chairman, Jack Kemp for President, 1987 - 1988

President, Wisconsin Federation of Republican Women Board Member, National Federation of Republican Women, 1985 - 1989

County Events Coordinator, Thompson for Wisconsin, 1990

#### **RNC Activity**

Delegate, Republican National Convention, 1984, 1988 Member, Platform Committee, Republican National Convention, 1984

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This document is from the collections at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas http://dolearchives.ku.edu Wisconsin Press Availability with Governor Thompson and Robert Welch

Saturday, September 24, 1994 5:20 p.m. to 5:40 p.m. CST

Milwaukee, WI

#### PURPOSE

To attend press availability with Governor Thompson and state Representative Robert Welch, the Republican candidate for U.S. Senate.

Representative Welch will meet Herb Kohl Saturday evening in Madison in the first of two scheduled debates for the U.S. Senate candidates

The Welch campaign has invited a group of supporters to the airport press conference, which they are billing as a debate send-off by Governor Thompson and Senator Dole.

#### BACKGROUND:

Governor Thompson has a significant lead in the polls and has been able to spend a significant amount of his time campaigning for other Wisconsin Republicans

Each of Wisconsin's congressmen is running for reelection in 1994. Republicans believe they have an opportunity to capture the first district seat held by Democrat Peter Barca. Mark Neumann is running against Barca in a rematch of the 1991 special election for the seat which was held by Lee Aspin.

Republicans control the state senate in Wisconsin by just one vote and are three votes short of controlling the house.

#### THE WELCH CAMPAIGN:

Bob Welch received 47% of the vote in a four person primary. Among the leaders of the Welch campaign during the primary were Committeeman Mike Grebe and Committeewoman Mary Buestrin. Nearly every member of the state assembly and state senate also endorsed Welch during the primary.

Welch also received strong organizational and financial support from the National Rifle Association and Right to Life organizations.

During the primary, Welch pledged to resign from the Senate before voting for a tax increase. Welch's campaign has worked hard to tie Kohl as closely as possible to President Clinton.

Bob and his wife, Jeanne, reside in Redgranite, a small agricultural town just west of Oshkosh. A small business owner (land surveyor), Welch was elected to the state legislature in 1984.

Status of Incumbent: Gov. Thompson (R) Eligible to seek reelection.

Primary Election: Sept. 13

REPUBLICANS

**DEMOCRATS** 

Tommy G. Thompson, Incumbent

Chuck Chvala, State Senator

#### Update

Governor Tommy Thompson officially announced his intention to seek reelection on May 31. He has led the state to new heights in his two terms. Since coming to office, Governor Thompson has overseen the creation of 382,000 jobs. April was the seventy-fifth consecutive month that Wisconsin's unemployment was below the national average. Wisconsin companies sold a record \$7.7 billion in exports in 1993, up 11% from record year 1992. He has succeeded in reducing the welfare caseload 20%.

Governor Thompson has only one opponent since Assembly Speaker Walter Kunicki decided not to challenge for the Democratic nomination. Analysts believe that a primary battle would have helped the Democrats. Now, the only candidate is state Senator Charles Chvala from the City of Madison. Chvala is expected to be heavily financed by unions, especially the Wisconsin Education Association Council. WEAC last year helped finance the successful Democratic campaign for the race for State Superintendent of Schools.

Another major goal Governor Thompson wants to tackle is the removal of \$1 billion per year in public school costs from the property tax. "As long as I am governor, property tax relief will mean controlling spending, not increasing tax rates somewhere else," Governor Thompson vowed in his reelection announcement. By contrast, his opponent Chvala called for an increase in the income tax "another percent or two" to pay for the property tax relief plan which has already passed the Legislature.

#### 1992 Presidential Vote

Clinton (D)
Bush (R)
Perot (I)

1,041,066 (41%) 930,855 (37%) 544,479 (22%)

Total 2,516,400

## 1990 Gubernatorial General Election Results

Tommy G. Thompson (R) 802,321 (58%)
Thomas Loftus (D) 546,280 (42%)
Total 1,348,601

NO POLLING INFORMATION

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6:00 pm- ATTEND/SPEAK Fundraising Rountable Discussion for Wisconsin State

6:45 pm GOP

414/271-2222

Location:

North Library

Attendance:

40 @ \$1,000 per person

Event runs:

6:00 - 7:00 pm

Press:

Closed

Facility:

Hollow square seating

Format:

State GOP Finance Chairman, Rick Graber, gives

welcome

David Opitz gives remarks Senator Dole gives remarks

Contact:

Scott Matter

312/281-1688 312/281-1883 fax

#### Wisconsin State Republican Party Fundraiser

Saturday, September 24, 1994

6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m. CST

Milwaukee, WI

#### PURPOSE:

To assist state GOP with fundraising for state legislative candidates. Approximately 35 Wisconsin husiness leaders, state legislators, and party activists will be in attendance.

#### BACKGROUND

Capturing control of both chambers of the legislature is a top priority of Governor Thompson. Currently, Republicans control the state senate by just one vote and are just three votes shy of the majority in the House.

The state party is expecting to raise over \$40,000 at the event. The money will be used to pay for advertising and GOTV activities for targeted senate and house races.

Party activists in attendance at the event will include State GOP Chairman David Opitz, National Committeeman Mike Grebe, and National Committeewoman Mary Buestrin. Also in attendance will be Republican Assembly leader Dave Prosser and State Senator Margaret Farrow. The remaining attendees are top CEO's and business leaders from the Milwaukee area.

#### FORMAT:

All attendees will be given the opportunity to have their photo taken with Senator Dole and Chairman Opitz at the beginning of the fundraiser. Following the photo-op. Chairman Opitz will begin the event by welcoming you and the other elected officials and party leaders. You will then have the opportunity to offer brief remarks. A question and answer session will follow.

#### KEY ATTENDEES:

- \* Chairman David Opitz
- \* National Committeeman Mike Grebe
- \* National Committeewoman Mary Buestrin
- \* Representative Dave Prosser
- \* Senator Margaret Farrow
- \* Carl Wamser, Ceo of Everbrite Inc.
- \* Roger & Ann Martin, Owner of Pope Scientific
- \* Bob Doucette, CEO, Milwaukee Insurance
- \* Ross Dean, Owner, Fibcon Inc.
- \* Jim Derse, Owner, Derse Advertising

- \* Mary Finnigan, Retired
- \* Henry Uihlein, U-line Corporation
- \* Polly Uihlein, U-line Corporation
- \* Philip UiHlein, U-line Corporation
- \* Mr. and Mrs. James Weichmann, Milwaukee stockbroker

### DOLE BRIEFING PARTICIPANTS

DUANE BLUEMKE

President, U.S. Counseling Services

JIM DERSE

Derse Outdoor Admentising

ROSS DEAN

Owner, Fibcon Inc.

BOB DOUCETTE

CEO, milwaukee Insurance

SENATOR MARGARET FARROW

MARY FINNIGAN

Retired - majordonor

Mike Grebe

ROBERT HOFFER

Retired

DAVID & CYNTHIA KAHLER

Architect

BRIAN MARDAK

ROGER & ANN MARTIN

Owner, Pope Scientific

JOAN PENNAU

Homemaker: nusband physician

REPRESENTATIVE DAVE PROSSER

HENRY UIHLEIN

U-line Corporation

POLLY UIHLEIN

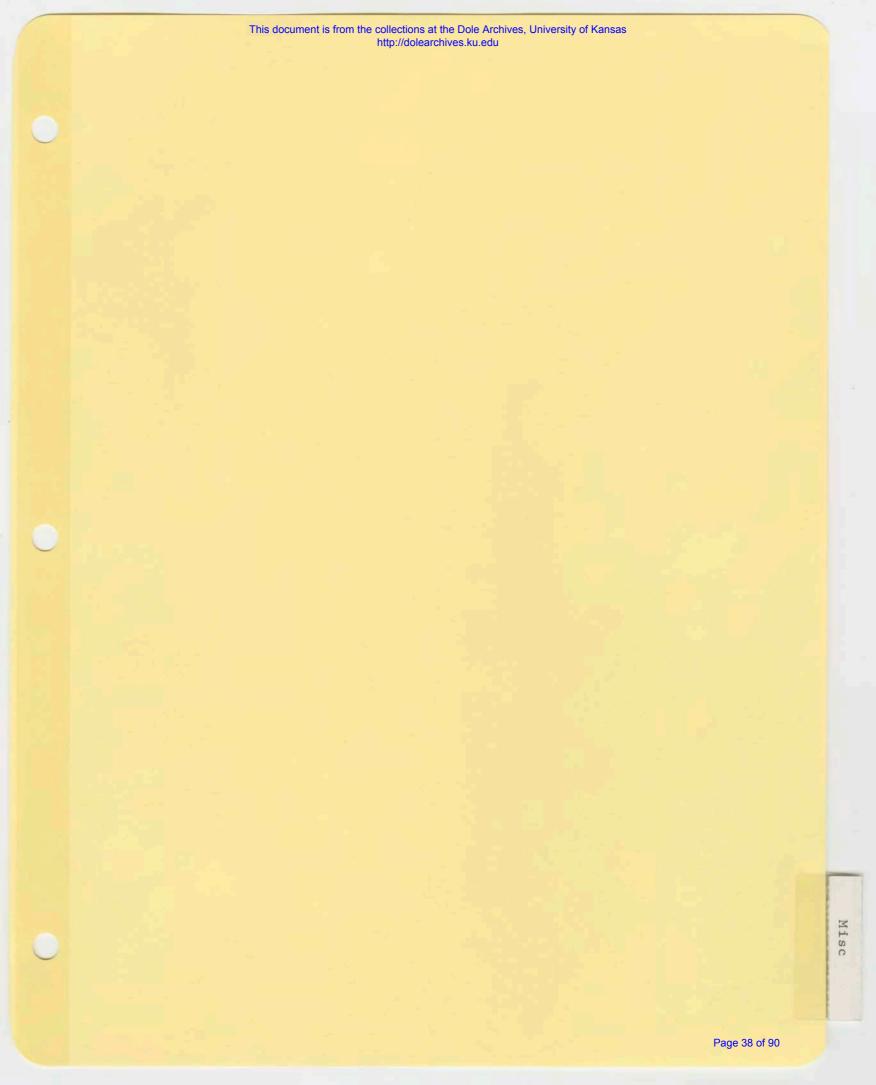
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### **MEMORANDUM**

September 21, 1994

To:

Senator Dole

From. Bill Thorne

Re:

Wisconsin Summary Information

## PRIMARY (SEPTEMBER 13)

	Republicans		Democrat	
Wisconsin Primary Results:	Welch	47%	Kohl	100%
	Gunderson	22		
	Zeuske	17		
	Fitzpatrick	13		69 Jan 19

## **POLLING INFORMATION**

Political Media Research (9/4-6/94) BALLOT

Welch 26%

Kohl 66

Market Shares (8/27-9/1/94)

BALLOT

Welch 21%

Kohl 62

## FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Candidate	Raised 8/24	Spent 8/24	PAC \$	3rd Quarter	COH 8/24	Debt
Welch	\$447,451	\$415,740	\$34,068	\$72,085	\$31,609	\$0
Kohl	\$3,580,262	\$3,644,650	\$0	\$640,277	\$17,221	\$0

#### HOTLINE 9/14/94

#### \*9 WISCONSIN: WELCH FACES UPHILL FIGHT AGAINST KOHL

SENATE: State Rep. Bob Welch (R) defeated businessman Matt Gunderson (R), Treas. Cathy Zeuske (R) and atty Tom Fitzpatrick (R). Sen. Herb Kohl (D) was unopposed. Results with 99% reporting (AP, 9/14):

GOP	PRIMARY	
Welch	154,323	47%
Gunderson	n 73,832	23
Zeuske	55,241	17
Fitzp'ck	43,517	13

ANALYSIS: Welch won a "surprisingly easy" victory, telling supporters that WI voters are "fed up" with "business as usual." Welch: "We've taken an issue-based campaign to the voters of Wisconsin. We can beat Herb Kohl in the fall because we have the right message. Let there be no doubt. Herb Kohl is a Bill Clinton Democrat." The size of Welch's win "was a surprise in a race that virtually everyone who had commented on it said was close." Welch dir. John Hiller said the "key" to the win was a "massive grass-root organization in all parts of the state" (MILWAUKEE SENTINEL, 9/14).

#### HOUSE:

WI 03: Rep. Steve Gunderson (R) defeated ret. educator Donald Brill (R). Dems nominated state Rep. Harvey Stower over ex-state Sen. Peter Bear, Western WI Tech. College Pres. Lee Rasch and '88 candidate Karl Krueger. Results with 100% reporting (AP, 9/14):

DEM PRIMARY		GOP PRIMARY			
Stower	6,847	35%	Gunderson	21,407	63%
Bear	6,651	35	Brill	12,371	37
Rasch	4,249	22			
Krueger	1,875	10			

WI 08: Rep. Toby Roth (R) was renominated over DePere Mayor Nancy Nusbaum (R), and will face state Rep. Stan Gruszynski (D) in the general election. Results with 99% reporting (AP, 9/14):

GOP	PRIMARY	
Roth	48,550	68%
Nusbaum	23,004	32

#### HOTLINE 9/1/94

\*12 WISCONSIN: GOPER, WINGING BUSH, CALLS TAX HIKE "INEVITABLE" MILWAUKEE JOURNAL's Gilbert reports state Rep. Bob Welch (R) "has made an 'ironclad' no-new-taxes pledge, going as far as to submit "a pre-signed resignation letter to be used in case he ever votes for any kind of tax increase, ever." But in ads that began airing 8/29, businessman Matt Gunderson (R) is taking a different approach: "In an unconventional gambit for any candidate, much less a Republican in a party primary, Gunderson uses his first set of television ads to tell voters that some tax increases are probably inevitable." The ad shows Gunderson speaking next to an Abraham Lincoln cutout. Gunderson: "I don't want to raise taxes. But let's get real. A no-new tax pledge might be good politics. But it's bad policy and more important, not realistic. I know it's not as dramatic as asking people to read my lips. But at least it's honest. Right, Abe?" Another 9/13 primary opponent, atty Tom Fitzpatrick (R), called the Welch pledge "foolish." Treas. Cate Zeuske claimed she would "never vote to raise 'general taxes.'" Zeuske: "It's unfortunate Bob doesn't feel he can run on his record, that he needs a gimmick to prop up his campaign" (8/28).

GUNDERSON POLL: An internal poll for the Gunderson campaign by Luntz Research surveyed 400 likely GOP voters; margin of error +/-4.9%. Results: Gunderson 14%, Fitzpatrick 12%, Welch 9% and Zeuske 7%, with 56% undecided (Gunderson release, 8/31).

#### September 22, 1994

#### WISCONSIN--CRIME

1. Crime has become a hot issue because of the recent kidnapping and murder of 12-year old <u>Cora Jones</u>, who was abducted while riding her bicycle. No one has been arrested, although police have posted a \$200,000 reward for any information that would lead to the apprehension of the killer. A Milwaukee police officer was also recently murdered, which has generated a considerable amount of press attention.

See attached statement on Megan Kanka.

- 2. Wisconsin does <u>not</u> have a death penalty. Earlier this year, the Wisconsin State Senate defeated a measure that would have made capital punishment available in Wisconsin. However, the recent murders of Cora Jones and the Milwaukee police officer have re-energized the death-penalty debate. For example, the Speaker of the Wisconsin Assembly, a Democrat, has come out in favor of capital punishment.
- 3. The crime bill establishes an enforceable federal death penalty for nearly 60 separate offenses. All of the offenses involve murder. For example, the crime bill establishes the death penalty for those 1) who murder a federal law enforcement officer, and 2) who murder a State or local official assisting Federal law enforcement officers or State correctional officers.
- 4. The Wisconsin branch of the NRA is circulating a letter to its membership urging support for Bob Welch and criticizing Senator Kohl for his support of the crime bill.

## MEGAN KANKA AUGUST 11, 1994

MR. PRESIDENT, LAST WEEK, AMERICA WAS SHOCKED BY THE BRUTAL MURDER OF 7 YEAR-OLD MEGAN KANKA, WHO WAS RAPED AND STRANGLED TO DEATH NEAR HER HOME IN HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY. THE POLICE HAVE ARRESTED A TWICE-CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER, A NEIGHBOR OF THE KANKA FAMILY, WHO HAD SERVED JUST 6 YEARS OF A 10-YEAR SENTENCE.

UNFORTUNATELY, THE KANKA FAMILY AND THE RESIDENTS OF HAMILTON TOWNSHIP HAD NO IDEA THAT THE BEAST WHO COMMITTED THIS HORRENDOUS CRIME WAS OUT LOOSE IN THEIR COMMUNITY. IF THEY HAD KNOWN ABOUT THE CRIMINAL HISTORY OF MEGAN'S KILLER, THERE'S A GOOD CHANCE THAT MEGAN WOULD STILL HAVE A CHILDHOOD...AND A FUTURE.

THE AMENDMENT I AM OFFERING TODAY TARGETS THAT SMALL GROUP OF PREDATORS WHO TERRORIZE OUR PLAYGROUNDS AND PARKS, SEEKING TO HARM THE MOST VULNERABLE IN OUR SOCIETY. EVEN AFTER A SEXUAL PREDATOR HAS BEEN APPREHENDED, CONVICTED, SENTENCED, AND INCARCERATED, THERE'S NO GUARANTEE THAT HE WILL NOT STRIKE AGAIN ONCE HE HAS BEEN RELEASED ONTO OUR STREETS.

THE AMENDMENT IS VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL TO A BILL INTRODUCED LAST WEEK BY SENATOR SLADE GORTON AND REPRESENTATIVES DICK ZIMMER AND JENNIFER DUNN. REPRESENTATIVE ZIMMER, IN PARTICULAR, HAS BEEN EXTREMELY HELPFUL TO ME IN EXPLAINING HIS PROPOSAL AND SHARING HIS INSIGHTS ON HOW BEST TO TARGET THESE VICIOUS CRIMINALS AND TO KEEP LOCAL COMMUNITIES INFORMED OF THEIR WHEREABOUTS.

IN A NUTSHELL, THE AMENDMENT DIRECTS THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH GUIDELINES FOR STATE PROGRAMS REQUIRING A "SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR" TO REGISTER A CURRENT ADDRESS WITH THE APPROPRIATE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY. ANY STATE THAT FAILS TO ESTABLISH A REGISTRATION PROGRAM WITHIN THREE YEARS COULD SUFFER A 10% REDUCTION IN FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT FUNDING. ANY FUNDS THAT ARE RELEASED IN THIS WAY ARE THEN RE-ALLOCATED TO THOSE STATES THAT DO HAVE REGISTRATION PROGRAMS.

REGISTRATION WITH THE STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MUST OCCUR AT THE TIME THE CONVICTED SEX OFFENDER IS RELEASED FROM PRISON, PLACED ON PAROLE, OR PLACED ON SUPERVISED RELEASE. THE STATE AGENCY MUST THEN TRANSMIT THIS INFORMATION TO THE FBI AND TO THE LOCAL POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY IN WHICH THE SEX OFFENDER RESIDES.

THE AMENDMENT ALSO REQUIRES THE "SEXUALLY VIOLENT PREDATOR" TO VERIFY HIS RESIDENCE WITH THE STATE AGENCY ON A QUARTERLY BASIS. THIS SHOULD HELP ENSURE THAT LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS ARE KEPT UP-TO-DATE ON THE WHEREABOUTS OF THOSE SEX OFFENDERS WHO ARE SUBJECT TO THE REGISTRATION PROGRAM.

IN ADDITION, THE AMENDMENT CONTAINS A "COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION" PROVISION. THIS PROVISION REQUIRES STATE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO RELEASE ANY INFORMATION THAT IS NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM A SEXUALLY-VIOLENT PREDATOR.

I KNOW THAT SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES VIEW THIS PUBLIC NOTIFICATION REQUIREMENT AS A VIOLATION OF THE CRIMINAL'S PRIVACY RIGHTS. OTHERS HAVE DESCRIBED IT AS A MODERN-DAY "SCARLET LETTER." BUT I HAPPEN TO AGREE WITH ONE OF THE KANKA FAMILY'S NEIGHBORS, WHO RECENTLY EXPLAINED TO THE NEW YORK TIMES: "AN INNOCENT CHILD'S RIGHTS OUTWEIGH A CRIMINAL'S RIGHTS. POSTING WARNINGS IS A WAY TO EXTEND CONTROL BEYOND THE LIMITS OF THE SENTENCE." THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT COMMUNITIES LIKE HAMILTON TOWNSHIP, NEW JERSEY, HAVE A RIGHT TO PROTECT THEMSELVES. IF SOMEONE IS SO CONCERNED ABOUT BEING BRANDED A "SEXUALLY-VIOLENT PREDATOR," HE SHOULDN'T COMMIT THE CRIME IN THE FIRST PLACE.

FINALLY, MR. PRESIDENT, I WANT TO THANK SENATOR GORTON AND REPRESENTATIVE ZIMMER FOR THEIR EFFORTS ON BEHALF OF THIS AMENDMENT. THIS AMENDMENT IS REALLY THEIR IDEA, AND THEY DESERVE THE CREDIT FOR BRINGING THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE TO THE NATION'S ATTENTION.

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TEWS

U.S. SENATOR FOR KANSAS

FROM:

SENATE REPUBLICAN LEADER



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Tuesday, September 13, 1994 Contact: Clarkson Hine (202) 224-5358

## REPUBLICAN CRIME BILL

DOLE INTRODUCES "CRIME CONTROL IMPROVEMENT ACT": EFFORT TO STRIP PORK, BEEF UP PENALTIES IN JUST-SIGNED BILL

Instead of signing the so-called crime bill, President Clinton should have used today's White House ceremony to send the bill back to Congress marked with four simple letters: V.E.T.O. Veto.

The President should have told Congress to cut out the billions and billions of dollars in wasteful social spending, toughen up the penalties, and send him a new-and-improved crime bill that matches his own tough-on-crime rhetoric.

Republican Tough-On-Crime Measures

And that's exactly what Senate Republicans tried to do last month, when we were ready to offer a series of ten amendments...all designed to improve the crime bill by stripping out the pork and toughening up the weakest parts of the watereddown conference report.

Republicans tried to save the taxpayers nearly \$5 billion by cutting such phony "crime-fighting" measures as the Local Partnership Act, the Model Intensive Grants Program, the National Community Economic Partnership...even something called the "Ounce of Prevention" Program, which in reality is not an ounce, but a multi-million dollar ton of pure, unadulterated pork-barrel spending.

Republicans sought to establish mandatory minimum penalties for those vicious criminals who use a gun in the commission of a crime and who sell illegal drugs to children.

Republicans tried to ensure the swift deportation of illegal aliens who have committed violent crimes while in the United States.

Republicans attempted to tighten up the crime bill's prison language so that funds will be used to build "brick and mortar" prison cells, rather than warm-and-fuzzy prison "alternatives" such as "half-way houses" and "juvenile detention centers." Believe it or not, there's no guarantee that one dime of the crime bill's \$30 billion will be used to build a single prison cell.

And, last month, Republicans sought to ensure that firsttime violent offenders are kept behind bars by encouraging states to adopt real, meaningful truth-in-sentencing reform.

Although a full two weeks have elapsed since the Senate's passage of the conference report and today's signing ceremony, Republicans were nonetheless blocked-shut out-from using just several hours to debate our ten amendments, toughen up the crime bill in the process, and potentially save the taxpayers nearly \$5 billion.

So-Called Crime Bill: Expensive Lesson for Americans
So, today's signing ceremony may be a legislative victory
for President Clinton, but it's a very expensive lesson for the
American people.

The American people aren't dumb. They know that the crime bill is more hype than tough-on-crime substance. They know that it fully funds only 20,000 new police officers, not the 100,000 claimed by the administration.

And the American people understand that the most effective way to prevent crime is not with the pork-barrel, but with the

Although Senate Republicans came up a bit short last month, this temporary set-back doesn't mean we've given up. On the contrary: Republicans will continue to push ahead--with greater effort and with even greater resolve--until the American people

(more)

get the kind of tough, no-nonsense, crime-fighting plan they deserve...and one that is 1000 factorious at the Dole Archives, University of Kansas

Crime Control Improvement Act: Incorporates 10 GOP Provisions

That's why I am introducing a bill today--the Crime Control Improvement Act--that incorporates all ten amendments proposed by Republicans during the debate last month: a \$5 billion cut in wasteful social spending. Tough mandatory minimum penalties for those who use a gun while committing a crime. Tough mandatory imums for those who peddle drugs to minors and employ minors to sell drugs. The swift deportation of criminal aliens. And real truth-in-sentencing for first-time violent offenders, not for the second-time offenders, as the crime bill now provides. The Senate should have adopted these amendments more than two weeks ago. The crime bill would have been vastly improved as a result...and the American people wouldn't be so skeptical today of the overblown claims made by President Clinton and by the bill's most ardent supporters. No doubt about it, the Senate missed a golden opportunity by preventing Republicans from offering our amendments. But one lost opportunity doesn't mean we shouldn't keep on trying....and that's exactly what Republicans intend to do in the weeks and months ahead. 7 ;### 3 \* Remarks delivered on the Senate floor, approximately 2:55 PM. PROPOSED TEN REPUBLICAN AMENDMENTS--August 25, 1994 Four amendments striking approximately \$5 billion in "social spending" from the conference report (excluding Violence against Women Act and funding for federal and state prison drug treatment). -- Amendment One: Strike Local Partnership Act Savings: \$1.62 billion

-- Amendment Two: Strike Model Intensive Grants

Savings: \$625.5 million

--Amendment Three: Strike Local Crime Prevention Block Grants; Family and Community Endeavor Schools; Community-Based Justice Grants; Urban Recreation; Assistance for Delinquent and At-Risk Youth; and Police Recruitment

Savings: \$734.5 million

- --Amendment Four: Strike National Community Economic Partnership; Community Schools; Ounce of Prevention; Family Unity Demonstration Project; Gang Resistance Education and Training; and Drug Courts
- -- Savings: \$1.99 billion
- \* Tighten prison language:
  - --elimination of reverter clause, thereby ensuring that funds remain allotted for truth-in-sentencing
  - --elimination of "correctional plan" language that.
    unnecessarily burdens state prison administrators
  - --ensure that prison funding will go to build "brick-andmortar" prison cells, not just prison "alternatives"
  - --truth-in-sentencing for first-time violent offenders
- \* Simpson amendment expediting criminal alien deportation.
- \* Gramm/D'Amato mandatory minimum penalties for gun crimes.
- \* Mandatory minimum penalties for selling drugs to minors.
- \* Mandatory minimum penalties for employing minors to sell drugs.
- \* Drop mandatory minimum repeal. Substitute Senate-passed proposal with a requirement that federal prosecutors have a role in the decision to deviate from the mandatory minimum.

SENATOR BOB DOLE TORT REFORM **SEPTEMBER 23, 1994** THANK YOU, FIFE, FOR THAT KIND INTRODUCTION. AND I WANT TO THANK JOHN TEETS FOR HIS HOSPITALITY IN ALLOWING US TO CONVENE HERE TODAY AT THE DIAL CORPORATE CENTER.

LET ME BEGIN BY CITING A FEW STATISTICS THAT, I BELIEVE, PUT TORT REFORM IN THE PROPER PERSPECTIVE: PRODUCT-LIABILITY AND PERSONAL-INJURY CASES COST THE U.S. ECONOMY A STAGGERING \$130 BILLION **ANNUALLY IN LITIGATION COSTS** AND HIGHER INSURANCE

PREMIUMS. THAT AMOUNTS TO MORE THAN \$1,000 PER HOUSEHOLD.

LEGAL JUDGMENTS

ACCOUNT FOR 2.3 PERCENT OF

OUR GROSS DOMESTIC

PRODUCT.

PLAINTIFFS' LAWYERS EARN
NEARLY \$20 BILLION ANNUALLY
IN LEGAL FEES, OFTEN AS A

RESULT OF "CONTINGENCY-FEE"

ARRANGEMENTS GUARANTEEING

A 30 OR 40 PERCENT SHARE OF

ANY JURY AWARD.

THOSE ARE THE BIG-PICTURE
STATISTICS, BUT THE FEAR OF
BEING ON THE LOSING END OF A
LAWSUIT--WHETHER THE
LAWSUIT IS BASELESS OR NOT-CAN HIT MUCH CLOSER TO

## HOME:

PLAYGROUNDS AND "LITTLE LEAGUES" SHUT DOWN BECAUSE LOCAL COMMUNITIES CAN'T AFFORD THE INSURANCE. BOY SCOUT TROOPS DISBAND **BECAUSE THERE AREN'T ANY ADULTS AROUND WHO ARE** WILLING TO BE TROOP LEADERS. DOCTORS PRACTICE DEFENSIVE

MEDICINE, INCREASING THE COST OF HEALTH CARE IN THE PROCESS. VOLUNTEERS STAY HOME INSTEAD OF OFFERING THEIR SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY. POLICE OFFICERS START SECOND-GUESSING THEIR OWN ACTIONS, WONDERING WHETHER THEY'RE GOING TO BE HAULED INTO COURT FOR SOME

# MINOR MISSTEP.

**EVEN WORSE, PEOPLE** START TO LOSE FAITH IN THE SYSTEM. THEY BEGIN TO VIEW THE SYSTEM NOT WITH RESPECT, **BUT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO** MAKE A QUICK BUCK. **EVERYONE BECOMES A** POTENTIAL VICTIM. EVERY SOCIAL TRANSACTION, NO

MATTER HOW MINOR OR BENIGN,
BECOMES A POTENTIAL LAWSUIT
LEADING TO A MULTI-MILLION
DOLLAR JACKPOT.

THAT'S WHY TORT REFORM
IS SO IMPORTANT...NOT ONLY TO
REDUCE BUSINESS COSTS, NOT
ONLY TO PROTECT THE
INNOCENT FROM FRIVOLOUS
LAWSUITS, BUT TO RESTORE A

SENSE OF PERSPECTIVE AND
PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY.

TORT REFORM IS ESSENTIAL

IF WE'RE GOING TO END THE

LITIGATION BLAME-GAME IN

AMERICA AND START HOLDING

PEOPLE ACCOUNTABLE FOR

AND THAT'S WHERE

THEIR OWN ACTIONS.

PROPOSITION 103 COMES IN: PROP 103 WILL CLEAR THE WAY FOR A NUMBER OF COMMON-SENSE REFORM MEASURES THAT, I UNDERSTAND, HAVE ALREADY PASSED THE STATE LEGISLATURE, BUT AREN'T VALID UNLESS AND UNTIL THE RESTRICTIONS IN THE ARIZONA STATE CONSTITUTION ARE FIRST

REMOVED.

FOR EXAMPLE: ONE REFORM
WOULD GRANT IMMUNITY FROM
FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS FOR
VOLUNTEERS AND NON-PROFITS.

A SECOND REFORM WOULD
PREVENT DRUNK DRIVERS FROM
SUING IF THEY ARE IN A CAR
ACCIDENT AND ARE MORE THAN

50% AT FAULT.

A THIRD REFORM WOULD
PREVENT FELONS FROM SUING
FOR INJURIES RECEIVED WHILE
COMMITTING OR FLEEING A
FELONY.

AND HOW ABOUT
PROTECTING POLICE OFFICERS
FROM FRIVOLOUS LAWSUITS
WHEN THEY ACT REASONABLY

AND WITHIN THE SCOPE OF
THEIR DUTIES? THAT MAKES A
LOT OF SENSE TO ME.

YOU KNOW, I'VE HAD A
LITTLE EXPERIENCE WITH
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.
WHEN I WAS LEADING THE
CHARGE FOR AN AMENDMENT
THAT WOULD ALLOW STATES TO
PASS LAWS PROTECTING THE

**AMERICAN FLAG FROM** DESECRATION, MY CRITICS CHARGED THAT I WAS DESECRATING THE CONSTITUTION IN THE PROCESS. OF COURSE, MY CRITICS WERE WRONG, FOR AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION WAS, AND STILL IS, AS AMERICAN AS THE CONSTITUTION ITSELF. IN THEIR

WISDOM, THE FRAMERS DEVISED A PROCESS TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION, BUT, OF COURSE, THEY DIDN'T MAKE IT EASY...REQUIRING THE APPROVAL OF 38 STATES AND THREE-FIFTHS OF BOTH HOUSES OF CONGRESS. AND, THE SAME PRINCIPLE HOLDS TRUE WITH THE ARIZONA STATE

**CONSTITUTION: WE SHOULD** RESPECT AND CHERISH OUR CONSTITUTIONS, BUT WHEN THE TIME COMES TO MAKE A CHANGE, WE SHOULD BE PREPARED TO DO WHAT WE **BELIEVE OUGHT TO BE** DONE....AND THAT'S WHAT PROPOSITION 103 IS ALL ABOUT. I WANT TO SAY A WORD

ABOUT A RELATED TOPIC--PRODUCT LIABILITY REFORM. LAST JUNE, THE SENATE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADOPT A BILL, THE PRODUCT LIABILITY FAIRNESS ACT, THAT WOULD HAVE BROUGHT SOME COMMON-SENSE TO THE STATE-BY-STATE PATCHWORK OF PRODUCT LIABILITY LAWS.

**HOW? BY ABOLISHING** JOINT LIABILITY FOR SO-CALLED NONECONOMIC DAMAGES, SUCH AS "PAIN AND SUFFERING." BY **ESTABLISHING A NATIONAL 2-**YEAR STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS **RUNNING FROM THE TIME AN** INJURY AND ITS CAUSE ARE DISCOVERED. AND BY **ENCOURAGING PARTIES TO** 

RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCES
OUTSIDE THE COURTHOUSE,
THROUGH SOMETHING CALLED
ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE
RESOLUTION.

38 OUT OF 44 REPUBLICANS
VOTED TO END DEBATE SO THAT
WE COULD PASS THIS
IMPORTANT BILL.
UNFORTUNATELY, A MAJORITY

OF SENATE DEMOCRATS VOTED
AGAINST ENDING DEBATE,
OPTING INSTEAD FOR A
FILIBUSTER, WHICH MEANT THAT
THE BILL WAS DEAD FOR THIS
CONGRESS.

I DRAW TWO LESSONS
FROM THIS EXPERIENCE:

FIRST. THE TRIAL LAWYERS
CONTINUE TO BE A VERY

**POWERFUL FORCE IN** WASHINGTON...AND I KNOW THEY'RE A POWERFUL FORCE HERE, TOO, IN ARIZONA. IT WAS THE TRIAL LAWYERS, AND THEIR ALLIES IN CONGRESS, WHO WERE MOST RESPONSIBLE FOR THE **DEFEAT OF THE REFORM** MEASURE.

AND SECOND. WE NEED

MORE REPUBLICANS IN THE SENATE...OR "SEVEN MORE IN '94," AS I LIKE TO SAY. A REPUBLICAN MAJORITY IN THE SENATE MEANS A LINE-ITEM **VETO...A BALANCED BUDGET** AMENDMENT...HEALTH CARE REFORM THAT MAKES SENSE, NOT A GOVERNMENT **TAKEOVER...AND PRODUCT** 

LIABILITY REFORM THAT WOULD
SUPPLEMENT YOUR CRITICAL
EFFORTS HERE AT THE STATE
LEVEL, IN ARIZONA.

BUT I DON'T WANT TO
LEAVE YOU WITH THE
IMPRESSION THAT TORT REFORM
IS A PARTISAN ISSUE; IT'S NOT.
IT'S A MAINSTREAM ISSUE...ONE
THAT CROSSES PARTY LINES.

JUST LISTEN TO THIS PASSAGE FROM AN ARTICLE THAT RECENTLY APPEARED IN THE WALL STREET JOURNAL, AND I QUOTE: "AMERICA IS IN THE MIDST OF A NEW CIVIL WAR, A WAR THAT THREATENS TO UNDERCUT THE CIVIL BASIS OF OUR SOCIETY. THE WEAPONS OF **CHOICE ARE NOT BULLETS AND** 

BAYONETS, BUT ABUSIVE
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ARMY OF TRIAL LAWYERS
SUBVERTING OUR SYSTEM OF
CIVIL JUSTICE WHILE ENRICHING
THEMSELVES."

THAT'S NOT BOB DOLE
TALKING...OR PHIL GRAMM...OR
EVEN JOHN MCCAIN. IT'S NONE
OTHER THAN GEORGE

MCGOVERN.

I SUBMIT TO YOU THAT IF
BOB DOLE AND GEORGE
MCGOVERN CAN FIND COMMON
GROUND ON AN ISSUE, THEN
MAYBE--JUST MAYBE--WE'RE ON
TO SOMETHING WORTHY OF
YOUR SUPPORT.

FINALLY, I WANT TO

CONCLUDE BY CONGRATULATING

**GOVERNOR SYMINGTON,** SENATOR GREENE, SPEAKER KILLIAN, AND THE MEMBERS OF PEOPLE FOR A FAIR LEGAL SYSTEM, FOR ALL THEIR HARD **WORK ON THIS IMPORTANT** BALLOT INITIATIVE. THIS IS A FIGHT WORTH FIGHTING. AND. APPARENTLY, THE CITIZENS OF ARIZONA ARE ON YOUR SIDE:

YOU'VE COLLECTED ALMOST
THREE TIMES THE LEGALLYREQUIRED NUMBER OF
SIGNATURES TO GET PROP 103
ON THE BALLOT.
CONGRATULATIONS.

SO, KEEP IT UP, AND DON'T
STOP WORKING UNTIL YOU
REACH THE FINISH LINE ON

# **NOVEMBER 8, ELECTION DAY.**

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September 22, 1994

#### MEMORANDUM

TO:

SENATOR DOLE

FROM:

DENNIS SHEA

SUBJECT:

TORT REFORM/PROPOSITION 103/ARIZONA

As you know, you are scheduled to participate in a meeting that is being billed as a "Proposition 103 Briefing." An agenda and a detailed attendance list are attached.

The sponsors of the event hope that you would speak for 10 minutes, answer questions for 10 minutes, and mix-and-mingle for approximately 10-15 minutes. The subject of your remarks is "Why Tort Reform is Important." You will be introduced by Gov. Symington.

#### Arizona State Constitution

Arizona is one of only four States with a constitutional ban on virtually any type of lawsuit limitation. The following prolawyer, pro-lawsuit provisions are contained in the Arizona State Constitution:

- \* "No law shall be enacted in this State limiting the amount of damages to be recovered for causing the death or injury of any person."
- \* "The right of action to recover damages for injuries shall never be abrogated, and the amount recovered shall not be subject to any statutory limitation."
- \* "The defense of contributory negligence or of assumption of risk shall, in all cases whatsoever, be a question of fact and shall, at all times, be left to the jury."

The Arizona State legislature has recently passed comprehensive tort reform legislation. One reform would prohibit a felon from recovering for injuries incurred during the course of committing or fleeing a felony. (Current law allows the felon to recover if the defendant was negligent.)

Another reform would prohibit a drunk driver from recovering damages for injuries resulting from an accident if the person's intoxication was at least 50% responsible for the accident. (Current law allows, but does not require, the jury or court to prohibit recovery in this situation.)

A third reform would establish a "gross negligence" standard for volunteers and non-profits. (In other words, a volunteer would not be held liable for an accident related to his volunteer

activities, unless the volunteer acted in a way that was "grossly negligent.")

Unfortunately, these and other reforms are <u>not</u> constitutionally valid <u>unless and until</u> the Arizona State Constitution is first amended. Hence, the need for Proposition 103.

#### Proposition 103

State Senator John Greene is Co-Chairman of People for a Fair Legal System, the group spearheading the Proposition 103 ballot-initiative drive. The other Co-Chairman is Speaker of the Arizona House of Representatives Mark Killian.

Proposition 103 would amend the Arizona State Constitution to allow limitations to be placed on civil lawsuits and damages awards. More than 400,000 signatures have been obtained in support of putting Proposition 103 on the ballot, even though only 158,000 signatures are legally required.

Not surprisingly, the main opponents of Proposition 103 are the trial lawyers. They have formed an organization called "FAIR"--"Fairness and Accountability in Insurance Reform"--which expects to spend nearly \$2 million to defeat Proposition 103. They are depicting the initiative as an effort to take away the legal rights of Arizona citizens.

In their public-relations campaign, People for a Fair Legal System are not emphasizing how Proposition 103 will benefit corporations. Instead, their main focus is on how Proposition 103 will 1) help volunteer organizations (e.g., by limiting liability to acts caused by "gross negligence"), and 2) promote individual responsibility (e.g, by prohibiting drunk drivers from receiving monetary awards when they cause an accident and by prohibiting lawsuits against persons acting in self-defense).

#### Product Liability Reform

Proposition 103 concerns the broad topic of tort reform. Nevertheless, some of the businessmen attending the meeting may be interested in the status of <u>product liability</u> reform legislation in Congress.

Last June, the Senate failed <u>twice</u> to invoke cloture on S. 687, the Product Liability Fairness Act. The first cloture vote was 54-44. The second cloture vote was 57-41.

On the second vote, 38 Republicans and 19 Democrats supported cloture. The following Republicans voted <u>against</u> cloture: Cochran, Cohen, D'Amato, Pressler, Roth, and Simpson. Arizona's two Senators were split on cloture. Senator McCain supported cloture on both occasions. Senator DeConcini voted <u>against</u> cloture on the first vote and did <u>not</u> vote on the second

cloture motion.

#### A couple of points:

- \* It's fair to say that, if Republicans controlled the Senate, product liability reform would be a reality today. Most Senate Democrats voted against ending debate on the bill.
- \* The trial lawyers are not only powerful in Arizona, they are also powerful in Washington.

The Product Liability Fairness Act would establish some national product liability standards that would pre-empt the current patchwork of state-by-state standards. Some of the highlights of the Product Liability Fairness Act include:

- \* abolishes the doctrine of joint liability for noneconomic damages, such as "pain and suffering" (joint liability allows a defendant only partially responsible for damages to be sued for 100 percent of those damages; abolishing joint liability for noneconomic damages would help product-manufacturers, who are often named defendants in lawsuits because of their deep pockets)
- \* establishes an absolute defense if the plaintiff's drunk or drugged condition was more than 50 percent responsible for his injuries
- \* establishes a uniform 2-year statute of limitations (the filing of a lawsuit must occur within 2 years after an injured person discovers the injury and its cause)
- \* before <u>punitive damages</u> may be recovered, plaintiffs must meet a high standard of proof—they must prove, with clear and convincing evidence, that the defendant acted with conscious, flagrant indifference to the safety of those who may be harmed
- \* encourages parties to engage in <u>alternative dispute</u>
  <u>resolution</u>, rather than go immediately to court;
  defendants who unreasonably refuse to participate in
  alternative dispute resolution will be held liable for the
  plaintiff's reasonable attorneys' fees
- \* Pre-market approval by the Food and Drug Administration or the Federal Aviation Administration will be a defense against punitive damages, except in cases of bribery or in cases in which the manufacturer withholds information required by regulators (opponents of the bill seized on this provision)

#### Health Care/Malpractice Reform

Malpractice reform is a part of the broader category of tort reform. In the area of malpractice reform, the Mitchell health care bill is seriously deficient:

- 1. Damages Caps. Unlike Dole-Packwood, the Mitchell bill places no caps on non-economic damages, such as "pain and suffering." (Dole-Packwood caps non-economic damages at \$250,000.)
- 2. Collateral Source Rule. Unlike Dole-Packwood, the Mitchell does <u>not</u> propose a collateral source rule. A collateral source rule would reduce total damages by the amount of other payments made to compensate an individual for an injury.
- 3. Contingency Fee Limits. Like Dole-Packwood, the Mitchell bill limits attorney contingency fee limits to 33% of the first \$150,000 of recovery, and 25% of any amounts over \$150,000.
- 4. Pre-emption. As the attached article by Morton Kondracke argues, the Mitchell bill sells out to the American Trial Lawyers Association by pre-empting state laws that impose caps on non-economic damages. The Mitchell bill could also pre-empt state laws that establish contingency-fee limits that are more stringent than those proposed in the Mitchell bill.

The Bottom Line: Injured patients are getting short-changed by the current malpractice system. According to the RAND Corporation, only \$.43 (43 cents) of every dollar spent in the malpractice system goes to injured patients. The majority of the money goes to cover administrative expenses and pay lawyers' fees.

# people for a FAIR legal system ...

Prop-103 Briefing September 23, 1994 Agenda

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4:30 - 4:33 p.m. (3 minutes)	Welcome, Introduce John Teets	Sen. John Greene President, Arizona Senate Co-Chair, People For A Fair Legal System
4:33 - 4:38 p.m. (5 minutes)	Why Dial Corp. is Supporting Prop-103	Mr. John Teets Chairman, The Dial Corporation
4:38 - 4:40 p.m. (2 minutes)	Support for Prop-103 is Growing, Introduce Rodger Bailey	Rep. Mark Killian Speaker of the House Co-Chair, People For A Fair Legal System
4:40 - 4:55 p.m. (15 minutes)	Update on Prop-103, Introduce Gov. Symington	Mr. Rodger Bailey Bailey Political Consulting
4:55 - 4:58 p.m. (3 minutes)	Importance of Prop-103, Introduce Senator Dole	Gov. Fife Symington Governor of Arizona
4:58 - 5:08 p.m. (10 minutes)	Why Tort Reform is Important	Senator Bob Dole Republican Leader of the U.S. Senato
5:08 - 5:18 p.m.	Questions & Answers	Senator Bob Dole

Pollowing the briefing Scnator Dole will shake hands and greet those in attendance for ten minutes.

Date:

09/20/94

To:

Brian Borry

From:

Jeanne Patterson

Subject:

Tort Reform Briefing by Senator Dole

Here are the confirmed attendees. If you want to go forward, we will make every attempt to increase this roster through phone calls and personal contacts. I appreciate your understanding on this.

Mr. Robert Edwards

Chief Arizona Executive Rural/Metro

Mr. Steven Barclay

Attorney.

Represents Mayo Clinic

Dr. Clyde Wright

President & CEO

CIGNA Healthcare

Mr. Dean Borgman

President & CEO

McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Co.

Mr. Rob Jones

Vice President

Del Webb Corporation

Mr. John Teets

President & CEO

The Dial Corp

Mr. Norman McClelland President & CEO

Shamrock Foods

Mr. Don Bliss

Chief Arizona Executive U.S. West

Mr. Don Ellerman

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Hughes Missile Systems

Mr. Blair Benjamin

Chief Legal Counsel

Samaritan Health Systems

Mr. Richard Lehmann

President & CEO

Bank One

Mr. Douglas Yearley

President & CEO

Phelps Dodge (tentative)

Mr. Gchl Babinek

Senior Vice President

Circle K Corporation

Mr. Andy Brodkey

Chief Legal Counsel

Magma Copper Company

Mr. Gene Lemon

Chief Legal Counsel

The Dial Corp

Ms. Elizabeth McNamee

VP for Policy & Research Intergroup

Mr. John Greene

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Arizona State Senate

Mr. John Killian

Speaker

Arizona House of Representatives

Ms. Nancy Loften

Chief Legal Counsel

Arizona Public Service Company

Cypress Climate Metals

Mr. James Hartegen

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#### CONSTITUTIONAL MODIFICATION CAMPAIGN Executive Summary for Proposition 103

#### BACKGROUND

The Arizona State Constitution prohibits the people or their elected representatives from limiting civil lawsuit damages. This prohibition stymies meaningful tort reform, slows economic development, raises taxes and increases the cost of doing business in Arizona.

- Arizona is one of only 4 states whose constitution prohibits limitation on lawsuits.
- States that reform their liability systems attract jobs and improve productivity.
- State of Arizona paid tort claims are among the highest in the nation, forcing the state to put aside \$71 million in tax dollars to cover 1994 tort costs.
- The US tort system, consuming 2.3% GDP, is the most expensive in the world, making US products and services more costly at home and less competitive in the global marketplace.
- Individual plaintiff awards are higher when the defendant is a corporation or governmental entity.
- ♦ The direct cost of the tort system in the U.S. is over \$132 billion.
- ♦ Tort costs have grown four times faster than the US economy in the past 58 years.

### THE BENEFITS FOR ARIZONA

Proposition 103 will amend the Arizona State Constitution to allow the people or their elected representatives to limit lawsuits. Passage of Proposition 103 is necessary for other, previously enacted legislation to be valid and constitutional

- Volunteer Immunity sets a "gross negligence" liability standard for volunteers and non-profits.
- Felonious Acts restricts felons from suing for injuries incurred while committing or fleeing a crime.
- Drunk Driver -prohibits recovery by a driver whose intoxication was responsible for accident.
- Public Protection grants qualified immunity to police, firefighters, emergency medical technicians.
- Personal responsibility prohibits civil suit against person acting in self defense.
- ♦ Recreational Land Use Provides qualified immunity for landowners who allow public use of their lands.

# people for a FAIR legal system ...

### Background on People For A Fair Legal System (PFLS)

- PFLS is a non-partisan grassroots organization made up of hundreds of groups and thousands of people, including little leagues, homeowner and taxpayer associations, PTAs, small business owners, community leaders, town councils, school boards, volunteer groups, etc. PFLS is primarily funded by Arizona insurance companies and is registered with the Secretary of State as a campaign organization.
- PFLS began working with the Legislative Leadership in 1992 to reform Arizona's civil justice system. Senate President John Green and Speaker of the House Mark Killian serve as Co-Chairmen for PFLS.
- The first success came in April of 1993 when the Arizona Legislature passed S.B. 1055. This legislation has been called the most sweeping tort reform package the country has seen in the last decade. The trial bar must have agreed because they immediately petitioned portions of the bill for referendum on the 1994 ballot.
- The second win came in March of 1994, the Arizona Legislature, this time with bi-partisan support, passed S.B. 1305, an even stronger worded tort reform package. However, because Arizona is one of only four states in the country that does not allow for any limits to be placed on lawsuits, a conditional enactment clause was included with S.B. 1305. S.B. 1305 will only go into effect if the Arizona State Constitution is amended to allow for limits to placed on lawsuits.
- The next step in the fight for tort reform in Arizona was gathering the necessary number of signatures to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot. PFLS gathered a record-breaking 400,712 signatures (only 158,000 were required), placing Prop-103 on the November 8, 1994.

# people for a FAIR legal system ...

Just some of the groups and individuals working with People For A Fair Legal System to modify three outdated sections of the Arizona Constitution.

Agri Business Council of AZ

Altar Valley School District No. 51, Superintendent

American Association of Physicians and Surgeons - AZ Chapter

American Equestrian Alliance

Amigos Trade Association

Apache Junction City Manager

Apache Junction Assistant City Manager

Arizona Association of Chicfs of Police

Arizona Association of Managed Care Plans

Arizona Auto Dealers Association

Arizona Bankers Association

Arizona Burglar and Fire Alarm Association

Arizona Cable T.V. Association

Arizona Chamber of Commerce

Arizona Contractors Association

Arizona Council of Centers for Children and Adolescents

Arizona Counties Insurance Pool

Arizona Farm Bureau Federation

Arizona Medical Association

Arizona Multihousing Association

Arizona Restaurant Association

Arizona Retailers Association

Arizona School Boards Association

Arizona Special Olympics Foundation, Board of Directors, Chairman

Arizona State Association of Four Wheel Drive Clubs

Arizona State Dental Association

Arizona State Lodge, Fraternal Order of Police, Inc.

Arizona Dist. 3 Little League, Asst. District Administrator

Arizona Youth Football Federation, Inc.

Associated General Contractors

Associated Highway Patrolmen of Arizona

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Mayor of Scottsdale

Mayor of Sedona

Mayor of Show Low

Mayor of Sierra Vista

Mayor of Snowflake

Mayor of Springerville

Mayor of Tucson

Mental Health Association of Maricopa County

Mesa Governmental Relations Coordinator

Mohave County Board of Supervisors

Mohave County School Superintendent's Office

Nadaburg School District No. 81, Superintendent

National Federation of Independent Business

OK Corral

Papago Stables

Parker Area Chamber of Commerce

Parker Town Manager

Payson City Manager

Phoenix Board of Realtors

Pima County Medical Society

Pima County Sheriff's Office

Pima Trails Association

Pinal County Board of Supervisors

Pinetop-Lakeside City Manager

Pine/Strawberry School District No. 12, Superintendent

Queen Creek Chamber of Commerce

Queen Creek Unified School District No. 95, Superintendent

Rural/Metro Corporation

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St. Johns City Manager

St. Paul's Academy

Scottsdale Assistant City Manager

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Show Low Unified School District No. 4, Superintendent

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State Retired Employees Association

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Superstition Riding Stables, Inc.

The Equestrian Group

The Health Care Choice Coalition

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Bikers Against Manslaughter, Area Representative

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Cave Creek Town Manager

Center Against Sexual Abuse (CASA)

City of Apache Junction.

City of Benson

City of Goodycar

City of Holbrook

City of Kingman

City of Mesa

City of Scottsdale

City of Show Low

City of Sierra Vista

City of St. Johns

City of Tucson

Don Donnelly Stables at Gold Canyon

Eager City Manager

East Valley Coalition

Flagstaff Council Member

Florence Town Councilwoman

Florence Woman's Club, President

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## Pennsylvania Avenue By Morton M. Kondracke

### Latest Winners Of Health Fight: Trial Lawyers

Super-lobhyist Tommy Boggs scored a stunning victory for his client, the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, on Tuesday, but in moving to gut medical malpractice reform nationwide, he may have overreached.

Two of ATLA's most consistent Congressional allies, Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell (D-Maine) and House Judiciary Committee Chairman Jack Brooks (D-Texas) on Tuesday produced nearly-identical health care bills potentially canceling out state efforts, many quite extensive, to bring malpractice claims under control.

Within the sweeping national conflict over

health reform, malpractice reform is a theater of combat where fighting is especially fierce and expensive, although it's more obscure than the contest over employer mandates and price controls.

It pits the trial lawyers, who litigate on behalf of victims of medical mistakes and collect huge contingency fees when they win, against hospitals, doctors, and malpractice insurance companies, which often pay huge sums when they lose and also pay a lot to insure themselves against loss.

Boggs, partrer in the lobby-law firm of Patton Boggs & Blow and son of former Reps. Hale and Lindy Boggs (D-La), is the lead lobbyist for the trial lawyers.

A widely cited Harvard study found that the average US doctor spends \$15,000 per year in malpractice insurance, and premiums for

anesthesiology and obstetrics can go as high as \$200,000 per year.

The rate at which doctors get sued has increased ten-fold in the past three decades, and the average award in winning lawsuits has increased from \$40,000 to nearly \$150,000 over the past 20 years, taking inflation into account. Lawyers customarily collect between 30 and 50 percent of a victim's award, plus expenses.

To avoid lawsuits, doctors often practice costly "defensive medicine," ordering tests and performing procedures that wouldn't ordinarily be necessary. A recent study by the consulting firm Lewin-VIII indicates that reforms to control defensive medicine could save \$4 billion per year.

Over the past several years, medical groups have won various limits on malpractice suits in most states, including specific dollar limits

in 15 states on so-called "non-economic damages," such as "pain and suffering."

California, for instance, limits non-economic damages to \$250,000; Massachusetts and Maryland, \$500,000; and Michigan, \$225,000.

The medical providers and business lobby, the Health Care Liability Alliance, has been urging that similar limits be passed as part of national health legislation while ATLA has been fighting against them.

Now. Mitchell and Brooks a 2 backing a provision for federal law to preempt state limits, but Boggs claims the measure will not wipe out state award caps unless Congress passes its own cap. The HCLA counters that federal lawsuits are certain to be filed against state limits, claiming that Congress opposes caps.

If ATLA prevaits in Congress, it will be Boggs's second major triumph this year.

On June 29, the Senate fell three votes short of the 60 votes necessary to break a filibuster led by another ATLA acolyte, Sen. Fritz Hollings (D-SC), against legislation limiting awards and legal fees in product liability cases.

In another demonstration of its power, ATLA intervened with then-House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Dan Rostenkowski to slice a \$350,000 cap on non-economic damages out of the health care bill approved by the panel's health subcommittee, on the grounds that Brooks's committee had jurisdiction over the topic.

### Helped by Mitchell and Brooks, super-lobbyist Tommy Boggs scored a major coup for the trial lawyers Tuesday.

To gain influence, ATLA contributes lavishly to campaigns — \$4.4 million during the 1992 election cycle and \$235,000 so far in this cycle, according to Federal Election Commission filings. The health industry is spending just as lavishly, but it has numerous objectives in the health care reform fight, whereas ATLA's money is narrowly focused on product liability and medical malpractice.

Despite a close relationship between ATLA and President Clinton, the Administration's health care bill contained some measures sought by the health industry, including 33 percent limits on lawyer's fees and a mandate that parties try mediation before filing lawsuits.

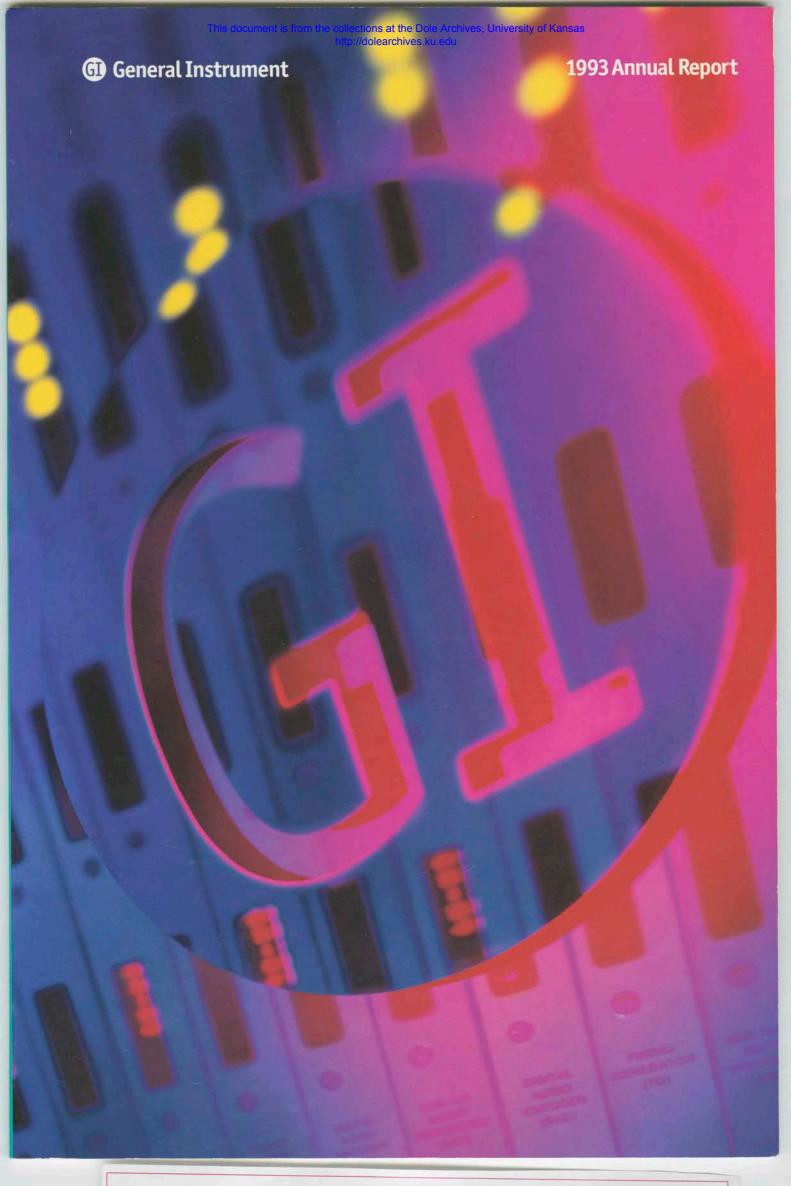
The Clinton bill contained no limits on damage awards, but the Senate Finance Committee wrote in a \$250,000 limit indexed to inflation. Mitchell's bill, naturally, contains no such limit and eliminates state caps. House Majority Leader Richard Gephardt (D-Mo) has yet to decide whether to incorporate Brooks's measure into his health care bill.

Boggs's success on Tuesday with Mitchell and Brooks stunned the health and business lobbies

"This ought to be called the Mitchell-Brooks Trial Lawyers' Full Employment Act," said Wayne Sinclair, senior vice president of the MMI Companies, a malpractice insurance firm. "It amazes me that the trial lawyers are not only trying to block reform, but they've gotten greedy."

With any luck, overreaching will rebound against the lawyers. In the House, Rep. Vic Fazio (D-Calif) is working on Gephardt to keep Brooks's provisions out of the House leadership bill and safeguard his state's reforms. In the Senate, numerous amendments to Mitchell's bill will be proposed.

Mitchell's willingness to compromise on employer mandates improves the chances that some health care legislation will pass this year, but it would be a shame if it contained a windfall for lawyers.



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