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Congressman Bob Dole (R-Kansas), a member of the House Committee on Agriculture, today urged Kansas farmers to contact him and express their thoughts and opinions about new wheat legislation or amendments of existing law.

Dole pointed out that Congressman Harold Cooley, Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, indicated to him last week the Wheat Subcommittee would probably commence hearings on prospective wheat legislation the first part of June.

Dole stated, "As a member of the Wheat Subcommittee, it would be extremely helpful to have ideas of Kansas farmers before wheat hearings are concluded. There has been a rash of wheat legislation introduced, however the voluntary proposal suggested by Congressman Don Short of North Dakota, Albert Quie of Minnesota, and myself is receiving considerable support. Twenty members introduced this proposal last Thursday, and others have expressed real interest in it.

"Mail from Kansas indicates wheat producers want a new voluntary program combining wheat and feed grain acreages. Farmers are interested in getting the government out of their business at the earliest possible date even if income is reduced in the process."

Dole concluded, "The folly of the administration's ramming the feed grain bill through Congress 10 days ago, without amendment, is now apparent. The brazen attempt to slam the door on the American wheat producer just prior to the referendum was properly interpreted by the majority voting last Tuesday. This action was a signal to farmers that Freeman and other key leaders were completely inconsistent. On the one hand they pressed for Congressional passage of a 'voluntary' feed grain program, and on the other pressed farmers for a favorable vote on a 'mandatory' wheat program, and the result was a loss of support, even among friends, based on the old adage, 'What's sauce for the goose is sauce for the gander'."