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A bill introduced

by Sen. Bob Dole, K-Rep., 1st Dist., to permit advanced payments
~~of a program~~ to wheat producers was passed by the livestock
and grains sub-committee of the House committee on Agriculture
this morning. It is not known when the full committee will act
on the bill, Mr. Dole said, but he is encouraged by the action
of the sub-committee. This bill, HR 6437, was introduced by Mr.
Dole on March 1.

Under the Dole bill growers would receive one-half
of their wheat ~~program~~ payments at sign-up time. The
other half would be paid after compliance had been proven. The
bill which would apply to the 1968 and subsequent crops
would place wheat farmers on the same basis as feed-grain and
corn growers.

Under the present law sign-up is after the first of
the year, but no payments are made until compliance has been
proven--about six months later.

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