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WASHINGTON, D.C. MARCH 7 -- U. S. Senator Bob Dole today co-sponsored a bill to require a health warning label, similar to that now required on cigarette packages, on alcoholic beverages containing more than 24 percent alcohol of volume. The label would read: "Caution: Consumption of alcoholic beverages may be hazardous to your health and may be habit forming."

Dole said, "This bill is a positive step toward reducing the list of 11,000 Americans who die each year because of alcoholic disorders. It also is a step toward reducing casualties on our highways."

Senator Strom Thurmond (R-S.C.) introduced the measure.

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