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WASHINGTON, D.C. Oct. 7, 1970 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole said he expects prompt action in both Houses on the Farm Bill which was reported favorably by the Joint Conference Committee at noon today. Dole is a member of the Senate Agriculture Committee.

In commenting on the conference report, Dole said he is pleased that the committee retained the Dole-Talmadge Rural Development Amendment.

"The amendment provides a foundation for future rural development legislation in the next session of Congress," Dole said.

The amendment directs governmental agencies to locate new offices and facilities in areas of lower population density in preference to areas of high population density wherever possible.

It requires a joint report from the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development and the Secretary of Agriculture on their efforts to provide assistance to states planning for the development of rural multicounty areas not included in economically depressed areas under authority of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968. It also requires a report from the Secretary of Agriculture concerning efforts of that Department to provide information and technical assistance to small communities and less populated areas for rural development.

The amendment provides for a study on possible utilization of the Farm Credit Administration and agencies in the Department of Agriculture to fulfill rural financial assistance requirements not filled by other agencies and for an annual review of telephone, electrical, water, sewer, medical, educational and other services to rural areas.