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WASHINGTON, D.C., M RCH 18, 1971 -- U.S. Senator Bob Dole today joined in sponsoring legislation to establish a national corporation to purchase freight cars and to increase car utilization through support of a nationwide automatic rail computer system.

Dole said that freight car shortages which yearly have plagued our Nation's consumers and shippers are already beginning again, "If the economy recovers this spring, we could be faced with the greatest car shortages of the century, which will adversely affect producers, growers, shippers, and consumers across the land."

Dole said the new legislation proposed would provide a means to alleviate car shortages now and in the years to come.