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WASHINGTON, D.C., August 5 --- U.S. Sen. Bob Dole (R-Kans.) said today following the Senate passage of the Federal Election Act by a vote of 88-2, that the act could "help establish greater confidence in our nation's electoral process."

Dole expressed his approval of the repeal of the "equal time provision" of the Federal Communications Act terming it a move "that will contribute significantly to the depth and detail in which the broadcast media will be permitted to explore the contending candidates and issues in election campaigns."

The Kansas Senator said "the establishment of an independent Federal Elections Commission to oversee adherence to campaign practice laws is another valuable feature of the Act."

Concerning delinquent political campaign debts, Dole commented

Directions for tightened regulations on extensions of credit by federally regulated industries, such as the airlines and the telephone companies, will provide protection to those companies and public against the incursion of unpayable debts by irresponsible candidates and organization.