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WASHINGTON, D.C., OCT. 5, 1972 -- A compromise version of the Federal Environmental Pesticide Control Act (H.R. 10729) was agreed to today after several meetings during the past two were unsuccessful in reaching an agreement between the Senate and House Agriculture Committee versions.

A proposal, which served as a basis for today's meeting, was worked out by Senator Dole and Congressman Page Belcher (R-Okla).

"This compromise bill will provide protection for the environment and the people," Dole said, "and will still assure farmers use of important chemicals."

The bill, if approved by both the House and Senate and signed by the President, will provide the Environmental Protection Agency the authority to regulate the use of pesticides.

"If a pesticide registration is banned," Dole said, "a period of time for disposition could be granted and farmers would be reimbursed for stocks left on hand. Manufacturers and dealers would also be reimbursed."

Dole said, "We hope to consider and approve the Conference Report in the Senate this week so that it may be approved by the House before the scheduled adjournment next week."