



NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole ~~today~~ praised the Agriculture Bill that was reported today by the Agriculture Committee of the House of Representatives. The House hopes to pass their bill next week.

"There are several differences between the House and Senate bills," Dole said, "such as the level of target prices (Senate: wheat \$2.28, Corn, \$1.53; House: wheat \$2.04, Corn, \$1.38) but these differences can be worked out. The point is that the target price concept was maintained to the benefit of both the farmer and the consumer."

The House version of the bill contains several of the provisions that Dole supported and wrote into the Senate bill, such as: target prices tied to production costs, extension of the flexible set aside program, 80% of parity price supports for milk, more accurate appraisal of average wheat prices, licensed dairy imports, extension of the food stamp program, and restoration of the permanent conservation practices of the Rural Environmental Assistance Program (REAP).

"I hope the House will continue to act promptly on this legislation so our Kansas wheat farmers will know the provisions of the new program well ahead of the September-October planting time," Dole said.