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# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE OFFERS AMENDMENT TO IDENTIFY TAX-PAID CAMPAIGN MATERIALS

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole today introduced an amendment to require the identification of campaign materials paid for with tax funds. Dole proposed the amendment to the so-called public financing provisions of the Federal Election Campaign Act amendments being debated in the Senate.

The Dole amendment would require any House, Senate or presidential candidate who accepts federal tax funds for his campaign to print on all of his campaign literature -- advertisements, bumper stickers, billboards, matchbooks -- a clear notice that they are paid for in whole or in part with tax money.

"If the Congress is going to turn itself and the entire electoral system into a massive Federal grant-in aid program, it is entirely fitting and proper that the American people be shown how their tax dollars are being spent."

Saying that the American people are entitled to see the fruits of their tax dollars clearly identified, Dole added, "When Mr. and Mrs. Taxpayer see their tax dollars being spent on Candidate "X's" billboards, Candidate "Y's" newspaper advertisements and Candidate "Z's" bumper stickers, it will give them a much clearer idea about the flow of their taxes and the uses to which they are put.

Calling his amendment simple and straightforward, Dole said it "would provide immediate and valuable information on campaign expenditures to the average taxpayer." The Dole Amendment was defeated by a 30-48 roll call vote.