



# NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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## DOLE INTRODUCES LEGISLATION TO PROHIBIT TAXATION ON FRINGE BENEFITS

Washington, D.C. ---- Senator Bob Dole(R-Kansas) introduced a bill in the U.S. Senate this week which would prohibit the issuing of Treasury regulations on the taxation of fringe benefits. Dole cited a recent bill passed by the Senate which would prohibit the IRS from issuing regulations concerning the taxation of such benefits, however the prohibition expires on July 1, 1978.

Commenting on his legislation, S. 3147, Dole said; "I believe that any unilateral action which would increase the taxes of millions of Americans should be legislated by Congress - not by administrative fiat. My proposal will give us an opportunity to work together on this issue - to get the information needed to make a rational decision."

According to the IRS, they are now preparing a plan to start taxing fringe benefits. Dole said, that "because the use of fringe benefits has increased in recent years, taxation of fringe benefits is a major issue. The IRS has become tax happy and willing to tax everything in sight. Although I recognize that the IRS is re-examining the treatment of fringe benefits in accordance with its obligations to enforce the tax laws, the Senator from Kansas believes that it is primarily the responsibility of the Congress to legislate uniform and equitable tax laws. "