



NEWS from **U.S. Senator Bob Dole**

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DOLE ASKS REVIEW OF USDA ADVISORY COMMITTEES

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kan.) has asked a Senate Subcommittee to look into the 108 advisory committees established by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Dole wrote to Senator Patrick J. Leahy (D-Vt.), Chairman of the Subcommittee on Agricultural Research and General Legislation of the Committee of Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry.

In the letter released today the Kansas Republican suggested that the Subcommittee exercise its oversight function by scheduling hearings on the subject. Dole said he was concerned that USDA had "unilaterally" abolished 10 of the committees last week. He said he realized that many of the advisory committees may be wasteful and should be eliminated or consolidated. But Dole said there are many that serve a useful purpose.