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DOLE GRAIN INSPECTION PROPOSAL APPROVED BY SENATE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, D.C. -- The Senate Agriculture Committee today approved and sent to the full Senate for action, Senator Bob Dole's proposal to repeal the requirement that grain inspection supervisory fees be paid by farmers. "When the proposal becomes law, and I do expect it to receive prompt action in the Senate," Dole said, "it will eliminate the \$.5 million in user fees Kansas farmers would have paid this year."

The committee also approved Dole's proposal to establish a 12-member advisory committee to assist the Federal Grain Inspection Service Administrator in implementing the remaining regulations under the Grain Inspection Act of 1975. The bill also gives the Administrator authority to require such record keeping he deems necessary, but the committee report will express committee intent that local country elevators and sub-terminals be exempt from additional record-keeping.

At Dole's request the report will also include language that will provide consultation between inspectors and supervisors. Dole said this consultation should "help prevent the type of harrassment we have seen in programs such as OSHA."

A proposal by Senator Henry Bellmon prohibiting the Federal Grain Inspection Service yellow hard subclass grading of winter wheat was also approved as part of the bill.