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Dear John and Howard;

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Thanks so much for your letter and for calling to my attention the Dole and Bayh bill to provide a patent policy which would benefit universities and nonprofit organizations. I appreciate your calling this to my attention and I will certainly keep it in mind and pay close attention to hearings on it should it be reintroduced in the new Congress next year.

Any legislation not acted upon by the adjournment of this Congress in early October will automatically die. The schedule is set for the four or five major pieces of legislation to be considered before then, including the energy bill, and therefore I doubt seriously the Congress will get around to consideration of the Dole/Bayh bill before adjournment.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

William Proxmire, U.S.S.

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