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TO:

Patents, Copyrights and Rights in Data Committee

FROM:

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SUBJECT: S-1247 Preservation of Confidential Information

On May 21, 1981, Mr. Dole introduced a bill to preserve confidential information. The proposed Act would amend the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) to provide a hearing for persons objecting to disclosure of private confidential information and would provide an exemption for confidential information by modifying the FOIA, so that information normally not disclosed by the submitter would not be released by the government through FOIA.

At the present time, the Association of American Medical Colleges plans to support the bill and will do so by presenting formal testimony to the Committee on the Judiciary. COGR has been invited to sign on to the AAMC testimony. ...

Enclosure