



What others are saying:

By removing some classes of antibiotics from the market, [legislation] “would require antibiotic sponsors to prove again what has already been proven during their initial FDA approval” and would leave livestock producers with “few, if any, medicines to prevent and control animal disease.”

— CONGRESSMAN LEONARD BOSWELL (D-IA)

“Antibiotic use in animals does not pose a serious public health threat. Restricting access to these important tools will jeopardize animal health and compromise our ability to contribute to public health through food safety.”

— BOB STALLMAN, PRESIDENT, AMERICAN FARM BUREAU FEDERATION

“While antibiotic resistance in humans is growing in the United States, the major factor affecting resistance development is human antibiotic use, not food animal use.”

— DR. RON JONES, PRIMARY INVESTIGATOR, SENTRY ANTIMICROBIAL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM

“There isn’t a simple cause-and-effect relationship between livestock antibiotic use and drug-resistance illnesses.”

— DR. PAUL EBNER, ANIMAL SCIENCES, PURDUE UNIVERSITY

“Inappropriate reactions to the use of antibiotics could have unknown and unintended consequences that negatively affect animal health and welfare, and ultimately could create other public health risks, such as increased foodborne disease.”

— AMERICAN VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

“The Subcommittee heard undeniable evidence supporting the judicious use of antimicrobials in animal agriculture. I hope that careful consideration is given to this record by those groups and individuals who are advocating arbitrary limitations on these vital animal health tools.”

— FORMER CONGRESSMAN ROBIN HAYES (R-NC)

