

POLICY POSITION

3. Tobacco Programs

Background

Tobacco production is a significant facet of southern agriculture. The results of the current debate in Washington on the 1985 Farm Bill will have great significance to southern economic well-being. Increasing tobacco imports also poses a serious threat to tobacco farmers and the livelihood of southern rural communities.

Recommendations

The Southern Legislative Conference urges Congress to continue federal price supports and production quotas for tobacco. We also recommend that special emphasis be placed on finding means of reducing tobacco imports.

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