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STATEMENT BY SENATOR STROM THURMOND (D-SC) TO PRESS JULY 17, 1958.

Senator Strom Thurmond (D-SC) today urged Majority Leader Lyndon Johnson to bring the farm bill to the Senate floor for consideration at the earliest possible opportunity.

Thurmond, in a letter to Johnson, pointed out that the farm bill was reported by the Senate Agriculture Committee on June 27.

"Unless the farm bill is approved by the Senate within the next few days," Thurmond said in a statement, "there will be no chance that it can be approved by the House this year."

"The bill is urgently needed," Thurmond said, "to bring the income of farmers more in line with the income of other Americans."

Thurmond said that at the very minimum the farmers should be given the opportunity for a vote by the Senate on this important legislation.

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