

Sen. Bartlett Asks Congress to Fund Fish Protein Concentrate

Senator Bob Bartlett has urged that Congress appropriate money for a pilot plant for making fish protein concentrate, following approval on one type of the concentrate by the Food and Drug Administration.

The FDA approval applies only to one process, using hake and hake-like fish. While other processes and other types of fish will require separate approval, Bartlett considered the approval as a major breakthrough in the field.

He recommended that Congress approve President Johnson's budget request for \$1,700,000 for a pilot plant for the concentrate. The plant would test methods for producing the concentrate on a commercial basis.

Bartlett expressed hope that industry would join in the effort to produce the concentrate to assist in alleviating conditions of malnutrition afflicting a depressingly large percentage of young children throughout the world.