

Sweet Facts



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In Case You Missed It ... Recent News Coverage Outlines the Case for Reforming U.S. Sugar Policy

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Op-ed: Celebrate Agriculture, Don't Stifle Agriculture

March 8, 2012

By Sen. Dick Lugar (R-IN) & Rep. Marlin Stutzman (R-IN)

Excerpt: "... [T]hanks to technocratic price-fixing, U.S. consumers today pay nearly double for their sugar. Government manipulation of the sugar market levies an indirect tax of an extra \$4 billion each year in food prices. Such stringent controls and artificial barriers should be the antiquated relics of the Eastern bloc, not mainstays of U.S. policy." <http://bit.ly/ApOuvvg>

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The Sweet Lobby: An Uphill Battle Against Big Sugar

March 7, 2012

Excerpt: "... [E]very time you buy candy bars, ice cream, peanut butter, ketchup, bread, cereal — anything with sugar in it, which is a lot these days — you're paying more than you should. This is because food processors have to use mostly U.S. sugar since sugar policy prevents foreign sugar from being imported. It ensures sales for American farm operations, but the opponents don't think it's worth the higher cost for consumers and other businesses." <http://bit.ly/wuZVPI>

Congress – Reform Outdated Sugar Policies in the 2012 Farm Bill!

Learn more about the need to reform U.S. sugar policy in the 2012 Farm Bill at www.sugarreform.org.

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The Coalition for Sugar Reform is an alliance of consumers, food and beverage manufacturers, trade advocates, environmental groups, taxpayer watchdog organizations, responsible government advocates, think tanks and other interests. Our objective is to reform the federal government's intrusive, inefficient, restrictive and outdated sugar program – a decades-old subsidy that has repeatedly failed to provide adequate supplies of sugar to the U.S. market.