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### “Sugar Subsidies Out of Date,” Say Sens. Shaheen, Lugar & Toomey

In a recent [op-ed](#) published in *The Hill*, Sens. Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH), Richard Lugar (R-IN) and Pat Toomey (R-PA), highlight growing bipartisan support for reforming the outdated U.S. sugar program and urge their congressional colleagues to build on that momentum:

- “Congress talks a lot about saving people money — and now **we have a chance to put our money where our mouth is.** ...
- “... The **momentum for change is clear.** ... During Senate debate on the farm bill, we saw strong support for our amendments to reform the sugar program, significantly more than the last time similar legislation was introduced in 2001. We were encouraged by this **growing bipartisan support.**
- “... As we look at ways to help American families and small businesses prosper, no group or program should be immune to change. **Even programs with the best intentions can outlive their usefulness. The sugar program certainly has.**” [emphasis added]

To read the full text of the op-ed, click [here](#).

### Congress – Reform Outdated Sugar Policies in the 2012 Farm Bill!

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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 Our objective is to reform the federal government’s intrusive, inefficient, restrictive and outdated sugar program – a decades-old subsidy that has repeatedly failed to provide adequate supplies of sugar to the U.S. market.