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DOLE ASSURED HOUSE CONFEREES TO SUPPORT IMPACT AID RELIEF FOR KANSAS

WASHINGTON, D.C. --- Senator Bob Dole said today that he had received assurances from two leading House Education and Labor Committee members that his amendment, passed by the Senate to restore almost eight million dollars of impact aid to Kansas would be supported in the House.

The two Congressmen, Carl Perkins (D.Ky.) and Albert Quie (R.Minn.) assured Dole the Kansas relief provision would be retained by House conferees when they meet with Senate conferees on Monday, October 1st. Dole will serve as a member of the Senate conference committee on the legislation.

Last Monday, Dole won Senate approval for his amendment to the School Lunch Bill which provided for a restoration of the impact aid funds to Kansas schools. A Department of Health, Education and Welfare ruling of September 14th had found the State ineligible for the assistance.

The School Lunch bill had already been passed by the House of Representatives without the impact aid provision. Because of this and other differences between the House and Senate versions of the bill, a House Senate conference was necessary to work out a final agreement. The assurance obtained by the two Congressmen today indicates that the House conferees will agree to retain the impact aid provisions in the final version of the bill.

Perkins is chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee. Quie is its ranking Republican.