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FINAL CONGRESSIONAL ACTION TAKEN ON IMPACT AID FOR KANSAS

Kansas schools would be restored eligibility for approximately \$8 million in Federal funding under action taken by the Senate today. The action came in approval by the Senate of the Conference Report on the School Lunch bill which included a provision authored by Senator Bob Dole restoring eligibility for almost \$8 million in Federal aid to some 95 Kansas School Districts.

The Federal funds are currently being withheld from Kansas Districts because of a September 14th ruling by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare finding the state's new school finance law in conflict with Federal law. On September 24, Dole introduced an amendment to the School Lunch bill which would suspend for one year the provisions of Federal law in conflict.

Today's Senate action effectively clears the measure for the President's signature.