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DOLE, +PEARSON REPORT MILITARY CONSTRUCTION FUNDS

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Fort Riley, Kansas will receive funding for new barracks construction in the amount of \$22,547,000 under a military construction appropriations bill which passed the Senate today, Senators Bob Dole and James B. Pearson reported.

Also contained in the bill is \$8,396,000 for barracks modernization at Fort Riley and authority for 901 units of new military family housing at the same installation. The same amounts were earlier approved by the House.

Dole and Pearson, in a brief statement, said these improvements "will contribute to the role of Kansas installations in the future of our nation's defense. The two Senators said the improvements have been approved in spite of overall reductions below the budget requested by the Administration. "This indicates their priority in the total picture of our military construction needs", they added.

The bill, adopted by a vote of 88 to 0, contains 178,000 in water pollution abatement funds for Fort Leavenworth and \$1,042,000 for construction of an aircraft maintenance and corrosion control building at McConnell Air Force Base, Wichita.

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