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NEWS from U.S. Senator Bob Dole

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DOLE PRAISES PASSAGE OF ANIMAL HEALTH RESEARCH ACT

WASHINGTON, D.C.--Calling it a "good investment for tax payers in reducing the cost of beef," Senator Bob Dole praised yesterday's Senate passage of HR 11873, the Animal Health Research Act.

Dole said he had urged the expeditious handling of the bill for two reasons, "First, there is a great need for more in-depth research on animal health and secondly, Kansas State University is experiencing great difficulties due to the previous cut off of federal funds under other programs."

"In view of the tremendous financial losses cattlemen are taking on cattle these days, I hope this bill will reduce the death losses they take every year," Dole added.

Dole had earlier been an original cosponsor of a similar Senate bill, but in the interests of rapid passage, the Senate Agriculture and Forestry Committee reported the House bill, with modifications. One of the modifications was an increased authorization for the program from \$40 million to \$75 million for research programs.

Kansas State University, having one of the leading veterinary schools in the country, would receive a substantial share of this authorization under the livestock research program.