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DOLE WINS SENATE APPROVAL FOR MAJOR FT. HAYS STATE PROGRAM; \$4 MILLION SLATED FOR HIGH-TECH SCIENCE BUILDING ON CAMPUS

WASHINGTON - Senator Bob Dole (R-Ks) announced today Senate passage of the FY91 Energy and Water appropriations bill which includes a Dole funding initiative of \$4 million for a new physical science building at Fort Hays State University, Hays.

At Dole's urging, the Senate approved \$4 million for the new science building which will house the Computing Center and the Departments of Chemistry, Earth Sciences and Physics. The total project is expected to cost \$12 million. The university plans to raise \$8 million through state and private sources.

"Revitalizing Rural America is one of my top priorities, and this will help us get the job done. This high-tech center will be an important new addition to higher education in Kansas. Best of all, this 21st century technology will make its invaluable resources available to students throughout the state," Dole said.

"Once the facility is linked into a regional network and the University's five off-campus centers as planned, Fort Hays State will be a pioneer in long distance learning. Universities nationwide will be looking at our Ft. Hays model as the wave of the future," said Dole.

The bill now moves to a House/Senate conference.