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DOLE RECOMMENDS KANSAN FOR EDUCATION ADVISORY PANEL

WASHINGTON -- Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole (R-KS) today announced his recommendation of Dr. Stanley Koplik, Topeka, for reappointment to the National Advisory Commission on Student Financial Assistance. Koplik is currently Executive Director and Chief Financial Officer of the Kansas Board of Regents. The appointment is made by the President pro tempore of the Senate.

"Stan's commitment to promoting Kansas higher education, his knowledge of all aspects of education policy and his exceptional organizational and management skills make him the ideal choice to advise the Secretary of Education and Congress on student financial aid matters. I'm pleased he has decided to carry on in his duties as a member of this important advisory committee," Dole said.

Dr. Koplik has been executive director of the Kansas Board of Regents since June, 1982. During his tenure, the Board organized a three-year "Margin of Excellence" plan to boost public support for higher education with great success. Dr. Koplik received his doctorate degree from the University of Kansas in 1985.

The Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, under the U.S. Department of Education, is comprised of 11 members who provide advice to the Secretary of Education and the Congress on student financial aid matters. The Committee also reviews annually the need for the Pell Grant Program and other Federal student assistance programs. The Committee also makes recommendations to maintain accessibility to postsecondary education for low- and middle-income students.

Senator Nancy Kassebaum (R-KS), ranking minority member on the Education subcommittee of the Labor and Human Resources Committee, has strongly backed Koplik for this appointment.

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