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DOLE PROPOSAL FOR KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY AGRICULTURE RESEARCH PROJECTS APPROVED BY SENATE

WASHINGTON - The U.S. Senate has approved Kansas Senator Bob Dole's request to fund several major research projects at Kansas State University. The projects are included in the 1995 Agriculture Appropriations Bill approved by the Senate today. The bill, upon final approval, will now go to a joint House/Senate conference committee to work out differences with legislation passed by the House.

"I'm pleased that the Senate has agreed to support these priority agriculture research projects. Kansas State University has a proven record of commitment to research, and it is my hope that this funding will help to ensure a strong future for American agriculture," Dole said.

FOOD SAFETY PROGRAM - \$1.743 MILLION

\$1.743 million funding for a Kansas State University project which investigates food safety, specifically developing techniques for application in the meat industry. Kansas State University joints the University of Arkansas and Iowa State University in this project.

VALUE ADDED WHEAT PRODUCTS RESEARCH - \$212,000

\$212,000 for a program at Kansas State University to develop new uses for wheat.

WHEAT GENETICS RESEARCH - \$177,000

\$177,000 for Kansas State University-based Wheat Genetics Resource Center. The center specializes in developing new wheat varieties.

ALFALFA RESEARCH - \$106,000

\$106,000 for a project to develop new varieties of disease resistant alfalfa.

CANOLA RESEARCH - \$85,000

\$ 85,000 for Kansas State University for continued development of new varieties of canola suitable for growing in Kansas.

WATER CONSERVATION RESEARCH - \$80,000

\$ 80,000 for Kansas State University to research water conservation techniques. The program will examine the efficiency in water use and management.