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KANSAS TO RECEIVE \$2.1 MILLION FOR ENERGY PROGRAMS

WASHINGTON -- Senator Bob Dole (R-Kans.) announced today that Kansas will receive \$2,103,600 from the Department of Energy for supplemental funding of five energy conservation and assistance programs. The funds are available as the result of a Senate amendment to the Continuing Resolution which instructed the Secretary of Energy to disburse \$200 million of oil pricing overcharge settlement funds to the states. Dole was a cosponsor of the amendment.

"I am pleased that Secretary Hodel acted quickly to make this money available during the winter heating season," said Dole. "During the lame duck session we were concerned with making more money available to help low income Americans meet their utility bills. This is a substantial increase in the funds available for that purpose."

The legislation requires the states to use the funds for one or more of five federal energy programs, including, weatherization, state energy conservation plans, the schools and hospitals program, low income energy assistance payments, and small business and individual energy conservation. Use of the funds is left to the Governor's discretion.