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DOLE ANNOUNCES \$83,050 FOR KANSAS CIVIL RIGHTS EFFORTS IN FAIR HOUSING COMPLIANCE

WASHINGTON -- Kansas Senator Bob Dole announced today that his office has helped secure \$83,050 in federal funds for state and city civil rights agencies to help enforce fair housing laws.

"Fair housing is of particular interest to me -- I know of no more basic concern than that every prospective Kansas tenant be judged on a non-discriminatory basis," Dole said. "Fair housing laws should be adhered to, so it is pleasing to announce these funds will help make sure those laws are enforced."

Dole, a key member of the Senate Judiciary Committee which has jurisdiction over fair housing, is pushing for legislation this year to strengthen the current federal standards on fair housing.

According to Dole, the funds will be distributed to the following agencies:

- 1) Kansas Commission on Civil Rights -- \$30,250.
- 2) Kansas City Human Relations Department -- \$30,800.
- 3) Salina Human Relations -- \$22,000.

The federal money, administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development will provide funds to support the agency's housing discrimination complaint processing efforts and to fund expenses associated with providing training for agency personnel in fair housing enforcement.