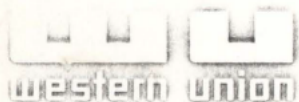


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Message:
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IN TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR, IN BEHALF OF
INDIAN IOWA NATION, U.S. SEN. BOB DOLE URGED PASSAGE OF A BILL HE
INTRODUCED TO AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THREE JUDGEMENT AWARDS BY INDIAN
CLAIMS COMMISSION TO MEMBERS OF IOWA TRIBE OF KANSAS AND NEBRASKA
AND OF IOWA TRIBE OF OKLAHOMA.

IN A STATEMENT FRIDAY, THE KANSAS SENATOR SAID, " IT IS A
PARTICULARLY BLACK MARK IN OUR NATION'S OTHERWISE SORRY TREATMENT
OF OUR INDIAN PEOPLE THAT WE SHOULD BE WAITING SIX SCORE AND MORE
YEARS TO CONSIDER FUNDING THESE JUST AND REASONABLE CLAIMS. AND IT
WOULD BE A FURTHER BLEMISH ON THE RECORD WERE CONGRESS NOT TO AUTHORIZE
THE PAYMENT OF THESE CLAIMS WITH ALL POSSIBLE SPEED. AFTER 117 YEARS,
IT IS TIME TO ACT."

DOLE WAS REFERRING TO AWARDS TOTALING \$5,956,413.67 REPRESENTING
FUNDS FOR INDIAN LANDS CEDED UNDER TREATIES NEGOTIATED IN 1836, 1838
and 1854. DOLE SAID THAT FUNDS TO PAY THESE AWARDS WERE APPROPRIATED
BY THE CONGRESS IN ACTS OF DECEMBER 26, 1968 and July 6, 1970. HE
EXPLAINED THAT BOTH TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS, THE IOWAS OF KANSAS AND NEBRASKA,
AND THE IOWAS OF OKLAHOMA, HAVE PASSED RESOLUTIONS REQUESTING THE FUNDS



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OF THESE AWARDS, AND BOTH HAVE PASSED RESOLUTIONS REGARDING THE
DISTRIBUTION OF THE JUDGMENT FUNDS.

"THERE IS NO CONTROVERSY SURROUNDING THESE AWARDS, DOLE SAID. THE
CLAIMS COMMISSION HAS ADJUDGED THEM; THE CONGRESS HAS APPROPRIATED
THE FUNDS TO PAY. IN ADDITION, THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND THE
BUREAU OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET HAVE SUBMITTED FAVORABLE REPORTS ON
S. 805 TO THIS COMMITTEE."

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