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WASHINGTON, D.C. , JULY 20, 1971 -- An amendment to preclude the Atomic Energy Commission from acquiring land for the proposed nuclear repository near Lyons, Kansas submitted by U.S. Senators Bob Dole and James Pearson was passed by the Senate today. The amendment was included in the Atomic Energy Commission Authorization Bill approved by the Senate with a vote of 90-3 this afternoon.

Dole said, "The amendment restricts the AEC from taking any action other than to proceed with the design of the project and undertake research and development until an Advisory Council, appointed by the President, has reported to Congress that construction and operation of the repository and transportation of waste materials to it can be accomplished safely with full protection for the public health and the quality of the environment."