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DOLE HAILS SENATE VOTE TO PROHIBIT NEW GYM

WASHINGTON -- Senator Robert Dole (R.-Kan.) today hailed the Senate's unanimous vote to prohibit construction of a new gymnasium for members. Included in the amendment to the debt ceiling bill was a provision to close one of the Senate's two existing gyms.

"Once again, the media's 'objective' reporting has gotten in the way of the facts," said Dole. "Today's vote was the first time that we have ever had a chance to vote on this proposal."

Last week, the Senate voted on a procedural motion that was widely reported as a move to approve the new gym.

"Frankly, in 21 years in Congress I have never been to a members' gymnasium," said Dole. "I've been in the Senate since 1969, and I don't even know where the Senator's gym is."