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DOLE URGES HOUSE TO MEET BUDGET CHALLENGE

WASHINGTON -- SENATE MAJORITY LEADER BOB DOLE, R-KAN., TODAY URGED THE HOUSE TO LIVE UP TO ITS PLEDGE TO ACT ON A FISCAL 1987 BUDGET PLAN AS SOON AS THE SENATE PASSED A BUDGET.

"Twelve days ago, the House leadership issued a stern budget challenge: in no uncertain terms, they told us there would be no progress on their side until the Senate passed a budget. Well, we produced. Now it's up to the House to match its rhetoric with action," Dole said.

"In overwhelming, bi-partisan numbers, the Senate agreed on a responsible and balance budget package. We didn't take the easy way out either. The Senate didn't make defense a sacrificial lamb, nor did it cave-in to the clamor for a massive tax hike. Plus, we met the deficit reduction targets of Gramm-Rudman-Hollings. Let's hope the House can do the same -- the sooner the better," Dole concluded.