

Bob Dole



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DOLE REQUEST FOR MLRS BATTALION FOR NATIONAL GUARD
WINS FINAL SENATE APPROVAL

WASHINGTON - Kansas Senator Bob Dole's request for the procurement of a Multiple Launch Rocket System (MLRS) for the Kansas National Guard won final approval in the U.S. Senate late Thursday.

"I'm pleased that Congress has agreed to proceed with the modernization of the Kansas National Guard artillery units. The MLRS proved highly effective in Desert Storm and is a significant enhancement to our military forces," Dole said.

"As the down-sizing of the Armed Forces continues, the Reserve Component will play an increasingly significant role in defending our interests around the world. We owe it to the men and women of the Kansas Guard to make sure they have the best equipment and training possible," Dole added.

The legislation provides \$144 million to be used in the procurement of an MLRS battalion to complete modernization of Kansas and South Carolina National Guard units. The project was included in the 1995 Defense Appropriations Bill, which now heads for the President's desk to be signed into law.

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