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DOLE GETS \$400,000 IN RESEARCH FUNDING FOR K-STATE IN SENATE APPROPRIATIONS BILL

(Washington, DC) -- Kansas Sen. Bob Dole today announced major funding for two Kansas State University agriculture research projects has been included in the Senate agriculture appropriations bill. The funding, totalling \$400,000, is for an international livestock program and for stored-grain insect management.

Dole said the funding helps put Kansas in the lead among national agriculture research and promotion efforts. "This funding, if approved by the full Congress, represents not just an expenditure, but an investment for American farmers. The gains from this research could mean additional exports of our livestock and grain products, and the insect management project should provide farmers with additional tools to combat stored-grain insect problems," said Dole.

Dole said \$100,000 has been included for the livestock project which will be modelled after the successful International Grains Program. The purpose of the new program is to promote sales of breeding livestock, meat and related services. The funds would have to be matched by the state in order to be released.

Another \$300,000 has been included for the insect project, according to Dole. Surveys of Kansas farm-stored grain commonly show high percentages of infested bins. The insect management project holds the potential for improving the quality of both domestic and export supplies of grain, lessening problems related to the recent loss of liquid fumigants commonly used on farms and the lack of alternative methods to prevent infestations.