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ABILENE - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that Jamie Smidt is serving as a congressional intern in his Washington, D.C., office. Smidt is a 2004 graduate of Chapman High School.

"Internships give Kansas students the opportunity to learn about Congress and put in practice the skills and knowledge they have learned in college," Moran said. "Jamie is doing good work for Kansans and gaining experience that will help her serve others throughout her life."

Smidt graduated from Kansas State University in May 2008 with a bachelor's degree in agricultural communications and journalism. She served as editor for the fall 2008 edition of the Agriculturist magazine and was a member of the College of Agriculture Student Council and the National Agri-Marketing Association. While attending K-State, she studied for a semester in Spain and did international community service in Mexico. Smidt's future plans include a master's degree in agricultural economics and a career in the agriculture industry.

"Life on Capitol Hill is everything I expected; it is interesting, challenging and fun," Smidt said. "As an intern, I have had the opportunity to work with Kansans and for Kansans. I better understand the legislative process and issues facing Kansans today. This experience will be incredibly beneficial as I start my own career."

In the office, Smidt assists Moran with legislative and administrative duties on behalf of the people of Kansas.

Jamie is the daughter of Bob and Jennifer Smidt of Abilene.

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