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## Big Payment Is OKd In CIA Drug Death

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The Senate passed without debate yesterday a bill providing for payment of \$1.25 million to the family of an Army chemist who committed suicide after being given LSD without his knowledge as part of a CIA drug experiment.

Dr. Frank R. Olson jumped to his death from a New York City hotel room window in 1953.

Three days earlier, Olson, an Army chemist engaged in research at Ft. Detrick, Md., was slipped LSD at a meeting.

His death was described to his family as an unexplained suicide.

The family later filed suit against the CIA.

The bill to compensate Mrs. Olson and her three children of Frederick, Md., was filed by Senator Charles Mathias (Rep-Md.), who said it had the support of President Ford and the Justice Department.

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