



1 *Raney* *House* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. *30* *Connelly*  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Cochranella* *Marko Larson* *John Benedict*  
 3 *UNANIMOUS* *Agnes* *Tom* *Wash* *David* *Reynolds*  
 4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF *Walter*  
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA SUPPORTING *HARP* *Johnson*  
 6 CONGRESS'S PASSAGE OF THE FOREST RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND *Wm E. Blinn*  
 7 SHORTAGE RELIEF ACT OF 1990, WHICH PROHIBITS THE EXPORT FROM *Stoff*  
 8 THE UNITED STATES OF UNPROCESSED TIMBER ORIGINATING FROM  
 9 LANDS OWNED BY THE STATES.

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 11 WHEREAS, in August 1990, the 101st Congress passed a  
 12 historic law, the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage  
 13 Relief Act of 1990, banning the export of all unprocessed  
 14 timber purchased on state lands or on federal lands west of  
 15 the 100th meridian; and

16 WHEREAS, forests, forest resources, and the forest  
 17 environment are exhaustible natural resources that require  
 18 efficient and effective conservation stewardship; and

19 WHEREAS, there is evidence of a shortfall in the supply  
 20 of unprocessed timber in Montana and the western United  
 21 States, and there is reason to believe that this shortfall  
 22 may worsen in the future; and

23 WHEREAS, prior to the passage of the federal law, timber  
 24 on Montana's state lands was vulnerable to increasing  
 25 pressure for harvesting and exporting, with no milling or

1 processing in Montana by Montana workers; and

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 23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE  
 24 OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

25 (1) That the Montana Legislature is adamantly opposed



-2- INTRODUCED BILL  
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APPROVED BY COMM. ON NATURAL RESOURCES

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 3 *UNPROCESSED* *Quinn* *Boyer* *Laughlin* *David* *Rife*  
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-2- SECOND READING  
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 3 PIPINICH, BENEDICT, WANZENRIED, SQUIRES, TOOLE, VAUGHN,  
 4 DOWELL, O'KEEFE, MEASURE, REAM, BROOKE, SVRCEK, MERCER,  
 5 THOMAS, LEE, HARP, HARPER, HALLIGAN, PETERSON,  
 6 BOHARSKI, THOFT, BARNHART, RANEY

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