

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 67

INTRODUCED BY UNDERDAL, KOLSTAD, AKLESTAD, IVERSON,
SIVERTSEN, HAYNE, STOBIE, MANUEL, JOHNSTON

IN THE HOUSE

April 6, 1979	On motion, rules suspended. Bill allowed to be introduced.
April 7, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Natural Resources.
April 9, 1979	On motion by Chief Sponsor, Senators Kolstad and Aklestad were added as authors to the prefiled bill.
April 10, 1979	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
April 11, 1979	Printed and placed on members' desks.
April 12, 1979	Second reading, do pass as amended.
April 16, 1979	Correctly engrossed.
	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to second house.

IN THE SENATE

April 17, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation.
	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
April 18, 1979	Second reading, concurred in.
	On motion rules suspended. Bill placed on Calendar for third reading this day.
	Third reading, concurred in.

IN THE HOUSE

April 19, 1979

Returned from second house.
Concurred in. Sent to
enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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George F. Kennan

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12 RESERVOIR IN NORTH CENTRAL MONTANA.

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