

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

INTRODUCED BY JERGESON, GALT, NORMAN, KOLSTAD,  
E. SMITH, B. BROWN, COONEY, L. HIRSCH, VINCENT

IN THE SENATE

February 12, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.
February 15, 1979	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 16, 1979	Printed and placed on members' desks.
February 17, 1979	Second reading, do pass.
February 19, 1979	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 20, 1979	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to second house.

IN THE HOUSE

February 21, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Fish and Game.
March 9, 1979	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 13, 1979	Second reading, concurred in.
March 15, 1979	Third reading, concurred in.

IN THE SENATE

March 16, 1979	Returned from second house. Concurred in. Sent to enrolling.
	Reported correctly enrolled.

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9 Norman E. Smith VINCENT

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19 WHEREAS, a Minnesota man recently died from contracting  
20 the parasite; and

21 WHEREAS, approximately 15% of Alaskan Eskimos have  
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23 approximately 40 Utahans may be infected by the parasite;  
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25 WHEREAS, Dr. Worley's research funds do not allow an

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6 WHEREAS, Dr. Worley estimates a cost of \$25,000 for a  
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