

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

INTRODUCED BY SEVERSON, B. BROWN, O'HARA,  
WYRICK, CONOVER, HAFFERMAN

IN THE SENATE

February 12, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation.
February 17, 1979	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 19, 1979	Printed and placed on members' desks.
February 20, 1979	Second reading, do pass.
February 21, 1979	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 22, 1979	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to second house.

IN THE HOUSE

February 23, 1979	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation.
March 6, 1979	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 7, 1979	Second reading, concurred in.
March 9, 1979	Third reading, concurred in.

IN THE SENATE

March 10, 1979	Returned from second house. Concurred in. Sent to enrolling.
	Reported correctly enrolled.

1 *Joint* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26  
2 INTRODUCED BY Senators Bob Brown O'Hara

3 *Wynona Conover Haffeman*  
4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF  
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCERNING IMPORTED  
6 MEATS; URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADOPT  
7 LEGISLATION CONCERNING THE IMPORTATION OF MEAT FROM OUTSIDE  
8 THE UNITED STATES.

9  
10 WHEREAS, presidential action to again open quotas on  
11 imported meats has created a hardship on Montana producers  
12 as well as those of other states; and

13 WHEREAS, at the urging of the United States Department  
14 of Agriculture and other federal agencies, the livestock  
15 producers have trimmed their herds to an artificially low  
16 level in an attempt to maintain price stability; and

17 WHEREAS, the livestock producer is yet in the arduous  
18 process of regaining economic stability after 4 years of  
19 severe price depression; and

20 WHEREAS, importation of meats creates unfair and  
21 governmentally induced and sponsored competition between  
22 foreign producers and domestic producers.

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

1 That the Montana Legislature petitions the Congress of  
2 the United States to:

3 (1) cause legislation to be implemented requiring all  
4 imported meats in any form to be clearly and conspicuously  
5 labeled in large letters as being from outside the United  
6 States;

7 (2) cause legislation to be implemented requiring the  
8 inspection of foreign meats to insure that foreign meats are  
9 of the same standard and quality as domestic meats;

10 (3) cause legislation to be implemented creating  
11 countercyclical quotas and prior notification of future  
12 import levels at a reasonable time in advance of such  
13 importation.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution  
15 be sent to the Montana Congressional Delegation and to the  
16 United States Secretary of Agriculture and to the  
17 International Trade Commission.

-End-

1 *Senate* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26  
2 INTRODUCED BY Senators Bob Brown O'Han

3 *W. York Connor Hoffmann*  
4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF  
5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCERNING IMPORTED  
6 MEATS; URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADOPT  
7 LEGISLATION CONCERNING THE IMPORTATION OF MEAT FROM OUTSIDE  
8 THE UNITED STATES.

9  
10 WHEREAS, presidential action to again open quotas on  
11 imported meats has created a hardship on Montana producers  
12 as well as those of other states; and

13 WHEREAS, at the urging of the United States Department  
14 of Agriculture and other federal agencies, the livestock  
15 producers have trimmed their herds to an artificially low  
16 level in an attempt to maintain price stability; and

17 WHEREAS, the livestock producer is yet in the arduous  
18 process of regaining economic stability after 4 years of  
19 severe price depression; and

20 WHEREAS, importation of meats creates unfair and  
21 governmentally induced and sponsored competition between  
22 foreign producers and domestic producers.

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

1 That the Montana Legislature petitions the Congress of  
2 the United States to:

3 (1) cause legislation to be implemented requiring all  
4 imported meats in any form to be clearly and conspicuously  
5 labeled in large letters as being from outside the United  
6 States;

7 (2) cause legislation to be implemented requiring the  
8 inspection of foreign meats to insure that foreign meats are  
9 of the same standard and quality as domestic meats;

10 (3) cause legislation to be implemented creating  
11 countercyclical quotas and prior notification of future  
12 import levels at a reasonable time in advance of such  
13 importation.

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution  
15 be sent to the Montana Congressional Delegation and to the  
16 United States Secretary of Agriculture and to the  
17 International Trade Commission.

-End-

## 1                   SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

2                   INTRODUCED BY SEVERSON, B., BROWN, O'HARA,

3                   WYRICK, CONOVER, HAFFERMAN

4  
5    A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF  
6    REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCERNING IMPORTED  
7    MEATS; URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADOPT  
8    LEGISLATION CONCERNING THE IMPORTATION OF MEAT FROM OUTSIDE  
9    THE UNITED STATES.10  
11       WHEREAS, presidential action to again open quotas on  
12    imported meats has created a hardship on Montana producers  
13    as well as those of other states; and14       WHEREAS, at the urging of the United States Department  
15    of Agriculture and other federal agencies, the livestock  
16    producers have trimmed their herds to an artificially low  
17    level in an attempt to maintain price stability; and18       WHEREAS, the livestock producer is yet in the arduous  
19    process of regaining economic stability after 4 years of  
20    severe price depression; and21       WHEREAS, importation of meats creates unfair and  
22    governmentally induced and sponsored competition between  
23    foreign producers and domestic producers.24  
25       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE

1                   OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

2                   That the Montana Legislature petitions the Congress of  
3    the United States to:4                   (1) cause legislation to be implemented requiring all  
5    imported meats in any form to be clearly and conspicuously  
6    labeled in large letters as being from outside the United  
7    States;8                   (2) cause legislation to be implemented requiring the  
9    inspection of foreign meats to insure that foreign meats are  
10   of the same standard and quality as domestic meats;11                   (3) cause legislation to be implemented creating  
12    countercyclical quotas and prior notification of future  
13    import levels at a reasonable time in advance of such  
14    importation.15       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution  
16    be sent to the Montana Congressional Delegation and to the  
17    United States Secretary of Agriculture and to the  
18    International Trade Commission.

-End-