

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 17

INTRODUCED BY ELLERD, CONROY, SIVERTSEN, SALES

IN THE HOUSE

January 26, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Rules.
February 2, 1981	Referred to Committee on Agriculture.
February 12, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February 13, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 14, 1981	Second reading, do pass.
February 16, 1981	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 20, 1981	Third reading, passed. Ayes, 98; Noes, 0. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

February 21, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, and Irrigation.
March 10, 1981	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 12, 1981	Second reading, pass consideration.
March 13, 1981	Second reading, concurred in as amended.
March 16, 1981	Third reading, concurred in as amended. Ayes, 50; Noes, 0.

IN THE HOUSE

March 17, 1981

Returned from Senate with amendments.

April 8, 1981

Second reading, amendments concurred in.

April 9, 1981

Third reading, amendments concurred in. Ayes, 94; Noes, 0. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA EXPRESSING SUPPORT
 6 FOR S. 1038 IN THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS IMPOSING
 7 INSPECTION AND LABELING REQUIREMENTS ON MEAT IMPORTED INTO
 8 THE UNITED STATES.

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 13 American meat; and

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 17 requirement that its identity as imported meat be retained;
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19 WHEREAS, the Federal Meat Inspection Act preempts any
 20 state requirements in addition to or different from those it
 21 imposes, rendering void any attempt by the State of Montana
 22 to impose labeling requirements; and

23 WHEREAS, S. 1038 has been introduced into the United
 24 States Senate by Senator Max Baucus to provide for more
 25 stringent inspection requirements for imported meat and to

1 require labeling of imported meat that will provide adequate
 2 notice to consumers.

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 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE
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6 (1) That the Legislature of Montana hereby expresses
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 9 bill.

10 (2) That a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the
 11 Secretary of State to the Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill,
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Approved by Committee
on Agriculture Livestock
& Irrigation

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13 March 1981

SENATE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Proposed amendment to House Joint Resolution 17, third reading copy, as follows:

1. Page 2, line 13.
Following: "Baker,"
Strike: "President"
Insert: "Majority Leader"