

Senate Joint Resolution 3

In The Senate

January 7, 1981

Introduced and referred  
to Committee on Public Health,  
Welfare and Safety.

February 21, 1981

Committee recommend bill  
do not pass.

1 *Steve* JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3  
 2 INTRODUCED BY Tom Blaylock Steve Brown  
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4 A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF  
 5 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA CONCERNING CONTINUED  
 6 EFFORTS TO PREVENT LITTERING AND PROMOTE CONTAINER  
 7 RECYCLING.

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 9 WHEREAS, Initiative 87, a measure attempting to reduce  
 10 littering and promote recycling of beverage containers, was  
 11 submitted to the people of Montana for approval in the 1980  
 12 general election; and

13 WHEREAS, the Initiative was substantially defeated, due  
 14 in part to a vigorous campaign conducted at considerable  
 15 expense by the beverage industry, grocery industry, and  
 16 others; and

17 WHEREAS, the opponents of Initiative 87 proposed to  
 18 formulate an alternative comprehensive approach to the  
 19 problem to include public education, promotion of the  
 20 private recycling industry, requiring litter bags in  
 21 vehicles and in public places, and effective enforcement of  
 22 reasonable litter laws.

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

1 (1) That it is the intent of the Montana Legislature  
 2 that those persons who opposed Initiative 87 be given until  
 3 the 1983 session of the Legislature to formulate a  
 4 comprehensive approach to the problem addressed by  
 5 Initiative 87.

6 (2) That if such an approach is not presented, then  
 7 further action should be taken by the Legislature through  
 8 additional legislation.

9 (3) That the problem addressed by Initiative 87 is of  
 10 vital concern and should be vigorously pursued in the best  
 11 interests of the people of the State of Montana and their  
 12 environment.

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