

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 33

INTRODUCED BY REGAN, TURNAGE, ELLIOTT, GOODOVER,
LEE, STEPHENS, BLAYLOCK

IN THE SENATE

March 25, 1981 Introduced and referred
to Committee on Business
and Industry.

April 1, 1981 Committee recommend bill
do pass. Report adopted.

April 2, 1981 Bill printed and placed
on members' desks.

April 3, 1981 Second reading, do pass.

April 4, 1981 Correctly engrossed.

April 6, 1981 Third reading, passed.
Ayes, 43; Noes, 0.
Transmitted to House.

IN THE HOUSE

April 7, 1981 Introduced and referred to
Committee on Business and
Industry.

April 9, 1981 Committee recommend bill be
concurrent in. Report adopted.

April 10, 1981 Second reading, concurred in.

On motion rules suspended
and bill placed on third
reading this day.

Third reading, concurred in.
Ayes, 78; Noes, 12.

IN THE SENATE

April 11, 1981 Returned from House. Concurred
in. Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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Goodman Lee STEPHENS *Blaylock*

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