

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 9

INTRODUCED BY JERGESON

IN THE SENATE

FEBRUARY 3, 1987                   INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE  
ON NATURAL RESOURCES.

FEBRUARY 16, 1987                  COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL  
DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.

FEBRUARY 17, 1987                  PRINTING REPORT.

FEBRUARY 18, 1987                  SECOND READING, DO PASS.

FEBRUARY 19, 1987                  ENGROSSING REPORT.

FEBRUARY 20, 1987                  THIRD READING, PASSED.  
AYES, 45; NOES, 4.

TRANSMITTED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

FEBRUARY 23, 1987                  INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE  
ON NATURAL RESOURCES.

MARCH 10, 1987                    COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE  
CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.

MARCH 13, 1987                    SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

MARCH 14, 1987                    THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.  
AYES, 94; NOES, 3.

RETURNED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

MARCH 17, 1987                    RECEIVED FROM HOUSE.  
SENT TO ENROLLING.

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5     REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING THE  
6     DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION TO GIVE  
7     EQUAL CONSIDERATION TO HYDROPOWER PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH  
8     AGRICULTURE AND AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS FOR PRIVATE GRANTS AND  
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11         WHEREAS, the Montana Legislature has authorized private  
12     grants and loans for water development under Title 85,  
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14         WHEREAS, hydropower development qualifies as an  
15     eligible project or activity for consideration by the  
16     Department of Natural Resources and Conservation under this  
17     program; and

18         WHEREAS, hydropower development grants and loans have  
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21         WHEREAS, the Montana Water Development Association and  
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