

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 8

INTRODUCED BY

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A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA REQUESTING THAT THE SECOND SATURDAY OF MAY OF EACH YEAR BE DESIGNATED AS A DAY TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF AMERICAN INDIAN WOMEN.

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HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 20, 1995

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on State Administration report that Senate Joint Resolution 8 (third reading copy -- blue) be concurred in as amended.

Signed:

Dick Simpkins
Dick Simpkins, Chair

Carried by: Rep. Simpkins

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, line 5.
Strike: "EACH YEAR"
Insert: "1995"

2. Page 1, line 28.
Strike: "each year"
Insert: "1995"

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Committee Vote:

Yes 3, No 2

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Conference Committee
on SJR 8
Report No. 1, April 8, 1995

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Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

We, your Conference Committee on SJR 8, met April 8, 1995, and considered:

House Committee on State Administration amendments to third reading copy, dated March 20, 1995.

We recommend that the amendments considered above to SJR 8 be acceded to the by Senate.

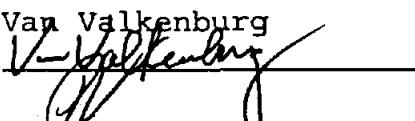
And that this Conference Committee report be adopted.

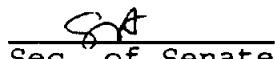
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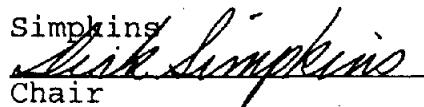
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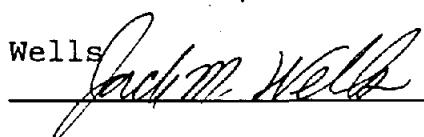
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