

House Concurrent Resolution No. 5022

By the House Federal and State Affairs Committee

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9 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION concerning actions taken to affect
10 global climate change and its effects on mankind and urging the Gov-
11 ernor of Kansas and the Kansas Congressional Delegation to protect
12 American jobs and be mindful of the energy and job costs to Kansas
13 families which may result from federal or state climate change
14 legislation.

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16 WHEREAS, Global carbon dioxide is part of the complex natural car-
17 bon cycle that sustains all life on earth; and

18 WHEREAS, Global climate change has occurred in natural cycles for
19 the last 600 millennia; and

20 WHEREAS, Atmospheric carbon dioxide exists in a dynamic equilib-
21 rium with the carbon dioxide dissolved in the oceans, with the total
22 amount of carbon dioxide held in the oceans being fifty times that held
23 in the atmosphere; and

24 WHEREAS, Emissions of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere are truly
25 global in nature and differential concentrations cannot be measured on
26 any regional basis; and

27 WHEREAS, No deleterious effect of carbon dioxide can be shown in
28 any one region of the earth as compared to other regions; and

29 WHEREAS, Kansas accounts for less than 0.25% of global carbon di-
30 oxide emissions; and

31 WHEREAS, Any attempt to regulate carbon dioxide emissions by the
32 state of Kansas would have a negligible effect on the global situation
33 without concurrent coordinated action on the part of all nations; and

34 WHEREAS, Previously proposed federal legislation to address the is-
35 sue of global climate change would cause high energy prices, fewer jobs,
36 and the loss of industrial output which is estimated to reduce Kansas'
37 gross state product by between \$1.3 and \$1.8 billion per year by 2020
38 and \$4.8 and \$5.7 billion by 2030; and may cost Kansas between 11,100
39 and 16,700 jobs by 2020 and 37,000 jobs by 2030; and

40 WHEREAS, Any system which would only regulate carbon dioxide
41 locally would result in the exporting of business and industry out of state
42 or offshore; and

43 WHEREAS, Kansas has already lost 20,700 manufacturing jobs in the

1 last 10 years: Now, therefore,

2 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the state of Kansas,*
3 *the Senate concurring therein:* That any action taken to affect global cli-
4 mate change and its effects on mankind be structured such that:

5 (1) The action has a clear scientific basis;

6 (2) The action confronts the situation from a truly global perspective;

7 (3) The action keeps American citizens and industries from higher en-
8 ergy prices;

9 (4) The action rewards early adopters of efficient practices and tech-
10 nologies;

11 (5) The action promotes Kansas jobs; and

12 (6) The action champions the global competitiveness of American
13 industry.

14 *Be it further resolved:* That an enrolled copy of this resolution be sent
15 to the Governor of Kansas and each member of the Kansas Congressional
16 Delegation.