Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

Introduced by

Representative Boe

1	A concurrent resolution urging Congress to recognize the need for regulated horse processing
2	facilities in the United States.
3	WHEREAS, the loss of governmentally regulated processing facilities in the United
4	States has challenged the ability of public and private sector entities to deal with unwanted
5	horses; and
6	WHEREAS, without economically affordable alternatives, individuals are simply
7	abandoning unwanted horses at sale barns, along country roads, and on public lands; and
8	WHEREAS, the abandonment of horses is done without any regarding for the horses'
9	welfare and without regard for damage or injury that can be caused by a freeroaming horse on
10	a road or highway; and
11	WHEREAS, it is estimated that more than 100,000 horses are unwanted by their
12	owners;
13	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
14	OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:
15	That the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly urges Congress to recognize the need for
16	regulated horse processing facilities in the United States and to allow the transportation and
17	processing of horses and the marketing and exportation of safe and wholesome horse meat;
18	and
19	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this
20	resolution to the President of the United States, the United States Secretary of Agriculture, the
21	President of the Senate and Speaker of the House of Representatives of the United States
22	Congress, the chairmen of the Senate and House Agriculture Committees, and to each member
23	of the North Dakota Congressional Delegation.