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2007 HOUSE TRANSPORTATION

HCR 3029

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. HCR 3029

House Transportation Committee

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Hearing Date: 02-08-2007

Recorder Job Number: 3116/3117

Committee Clerk Signature

Lisa M Thomas

Minutes:

Chairman Weisz opened the hearing on HCR 3029. HCR 3029 is a resolution urging Congress to enact legislation to construct a national program to encourage travel and tourism to this country. All representatives were present.

Rep. Schmidt introduced the resolution.

Rep. Schmidt: Resolution 3029, sometimes you think resolutions don't mean anything. I remember I sponsored a resolution to NAFTA. Somewhere a long the line, they decided to save water, so they would not let any toilets in the US hold more than two and half gallons of water. I bought one of those things and it didn't work. We sent a resolution to NAFTA. That summer, after the session was over, I got a registered letter from Switzerland. The President of NAFTA sent me a letter saying they would look into this problem, so it does work. Today you can buy a toilet that holds five gallons of water.

Rep. Ruby: Now that we know that a flush is worth more than a full house, what does this resolution actually do?

Rep. Schmidt: Our Congressional delegation has been trying to promote tourism and travel in the US and I think this is for our nationally program. To promote travel and tourism to the US and urges Congress to enact legislation to construct a national program to encourage travel

and tourism in this country. I think if we have more of those people come over here, more of us will go over there and we will have a better understanding and we could all get along.

There was no further support and there was no opposition.

The hearing was closed. No action was taken at this time.

Chairman Weisz allowed committee discussion on this bill that afternoon.

Rep. Thorpe moved a DO PASS. Rep. Myxter seconded.

Rep. Ruby: I think that states work on tourism individually selling them and so therefore, I am going to oppose this.

Rep. Owens: Based on that comment, I am curious because I have been working with the state of Nevada. I was much surprised that the state of Nevada has tourism offices in China and other places around the world. If it's a national program, what's it going to do for this state? Would they eventually ride rough shot over the state? I am a little worried right now. I know I don't live in Nevada, don't get me wrong, but we also do a lot of work, (at least UND), to promote the aerospace program.

Rep. Kelsch: Line sixteen and seventeen concerns me because there is a negative toward the department of Commerce, which holds the tourism department. The second thing is that I understand that we want to encourage people to come to the US but more importantly we want to encourage people to come to North Dakota to travel. I am not convinced that this is what this is doing.

The question was called.

Roll Call Vote: 6 yes. 7 no. 0 absent.

Motion failed.

Rep. Vigesaa moved a DO NOT PASS. Rep. Ruby seconded.

Roll Call Vote: 7 yes. 6 no. 0 absent.

Carrier: Rep. Ruby

Date: 2-8-07
 Roll Call Vote #: 1

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Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Thorpe

Seconded by Myxter

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Weisz		✓	Rep. Delmore	✓	✓
Vice Chairman Ruby		✓	Rep. Gruchalla	✓	✓
Rep. Dosch	✓		Rep. Myxter	✓	✓
Rep. Kelsch		✓	Rep. Schmidt	✓	✓
Rep. Owens		✓	Rep. Thorpe	✓	
Rep. Price		✓			
Rep. Sukut		✓			
Rep. Vigasaa		✓			

Total Yes 6 No 7

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Motion failed

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Not Pass

Motion Made By Vigesaa Seconded by Ruby

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Weisz	✓		Rep. Delmore		✓
Vice Chairman Ruby	✓		Rep. Gruchalla		✓
Rep. Dosch		✓	Rep. Myxter		✓
Rep. Kelsch	✓		Rep. Schmidt		✓
Rep. Owens	✓		Rep. Thorpe		✓
Rep. Price	✓				
Rep. Sukut	✓				
Rep. Vigesaa	✓				

Total Yes 7 No 6

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Ruby

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February 8, 2007 11:44 a.m.

Module No: HR-27-2513
Carrier: Ruby
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3029: Transportation Committee (Rep. Weisz, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (7 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3029 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.