

# State of South Dakota

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO.

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Introduced by: Senators Rounds, Dennert, and Hainje and Representatives Koskan, de Hueck, Duenwald, Lee, Moore, Schrempp, Smidt, Sperry, Wetz, and Windhorst at the request of the Interim Hunting Issues Committee

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Supporting and encouraging negotiations concerning the  
2 mitigation of wildlife habitats on the Pick-Sloan reservoirs.

3 WHEREAS, the construction and impoundment of the Missouri River reservoirs inundated  
4 thousands of acres of state, tribal, and private lands in South Dakota; and

5 WHEREAS, the resulting reservoirs and take lands on the perimeters of these reservoirs  
6 constitute an outstanding fish and wildlife habitat and an outstanding natural resource for hunting  
7 and fishing; and

8 WHEREAS, important jurisdictional and mitigation questions have retarded the development  
9 and use of these natural resources by state, tribes, and private enterprise; and

10 WHEREAS, the State of South Dakota is currently negotiating with the tribes, in  
11 cooperation with the Corps of Engineers and the South Dakota Congressional delegation, for  
12 a comprehensive resolution of the issues concerning the use and management of this resource;  
13 and

14 WHEREAS, tremendous benefits, supported by federal mitigation payments, could

1 accompany the successful completion of these negotiations:

2       NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Seventy-third Legislature  
3 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that all parties  
4 to the negotiations for the mitigation of wildlife habitat on the Pick-Sloan reservoirs be  
5 congratulated for their efforts and foresight and be encouraged to continue their efforts to reach  
6 an agreement that would be in the interests of all parties and that would secure an invaluable and  
7 continuing natural resource to all citizens of South Dakota.