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Agriculture

1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 104
2 BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE RESOLUTION
3 BY CHAIRPERSON BEHN)
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5 Congress provide funding for the modernization of
6 lock and dam infrastructure on the Upper Mississippi
7 and Illinois Rivers Inland Waterways Transportation
8 System.
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13 facilities, terminals, and docks on the waterways of
14 Iowa, providing thousands of jobs in this state; and
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17 standard of living in the Mississippi and Illinois
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19 tons of the nation's cargo, supporting more than
20 400,000 jobs, including 90,000 in manufacturing; and
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22 agricultural exports including corn, wheat, and
23 soybeans are shipped down the Mississippi and Illinois
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15 environmentally benign form of transporting
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17 noise pollution, and emitting 35 to 60 percent fewer
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25 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF
26 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the General Assembly
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29 economic prosperity and ecological vitality of the
30 state, the region, and the nation, and urges the

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 104**S-5013**

1 Amend Senate Concurrent Resolution 104 as follows:
2 1. Page 1, lines 6 and 7, by striking the words
3 "Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers Inland
4 Waterways" and inserting the following: "Missouri
5 River Inland Waterway".
6 2. Page 1, by striking lines 9 and 10, and
7 inserting the following:
8 "WHEREAS, vital navigation locks and dams are
9 contained".
10 3. Page 1, by striking lines 12 and 13, and
11 inserting the following:
12 "WHEREAS, manufacturing facilities, terminals, and
13 docks are located on the waterways of".
14 4. Page 1, by striking lines 17 through 20, and
15 inserting the following: "standard of living in the
16 Missouri river basin, and today supplies millions of
17 tons of the nation's cargo, supporting agriculture and
18 manufacturing; and".
19 5. Page 1, by striking lines 21 through 23, and
20 inserting the following:
21 "WHEREAS, American agricultural exports including
22 corn, wheat, and soybeans are shipped down the
23 Missouri river".
24 6. Page 1, line 24, by striking the word
25 "rivers".
26 7. By striking page 1, line 30 through page 2,
27 line 2, and inserting the following:
28 "WHEREAS, the Missouri lock and dam system annually
29 saves our nation countless dollars in higher
30 transportation costs; and".
31 8. Page 2, by striking line 3, and inserting the
32 following:
33 "WHEREAS, millions of tons of".
34 9. Page 2, by striking lines 6 and 7, and
35 inserting the following: "from, and within Iowa by
36 barge traffic down the Missouri river; and".
37 10. Page 2, by striking line 9, and inserting the
38 following: "an annual savings of millions of
39 dollars".
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41 12. Page 2, by striking lines 28 through 30, and
42 inserting the following:
43 "WHEREAS, the lakes and miles of wildlife refuge
44 along the Missouri river basin support a vibrant and
45 growing recreational industry,".
46 13. Page 3, by striking lines 16 through 20.
47 14. Page 3, by striking lines 22 through 24, and
48 inserting the following: "the Missouri river will
49 provide needed construction and related jobs over many
50 years; NOW THEREFORE,".

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1 15. Page 3, lines 27 and 28, by striking the
2 words "Upper Mississippi and Illinois Rivers" and
3 inserting the following: "Missouri River".

By STEVE KING

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*1-31-02 (p.162)***SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 104****S-5012**

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By MIKE CONNOLLY

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