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1 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 112

2 BY REHBERG

3 A Concurrent Resolution to request a legislative interim
4 study committee on condemnation of land in Iowa.

5 WHEREAS, private property rights is an important
6 and long-standing value of Iowans; and

7 WHEREAS, the ability to take land needed for a
8 public purpose is a vital right of government and
9 those entities authorized by government to take land
10 for a public purpose; and

11 WHEREAS, the taking of private property by
12 government and other entities is a traumatic
13 experience for the landowner; and

14 WHEREAS, the taking of land by government or other
15 authorized entities, by its extreme nature, requires
16 proper compensation and adequate notice; NOW

17 THEREFORE,

18 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, THE HOUSE OF
19 REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That the legislative
20 council is requested to establish an interim study
21 committee, for the 2002 legislative interim, to study
22 condemnation of land in Iowa. The committee shall
23 study the current process for condemnation of land,
24 including, but not limited to, entities authorized to
25 initiate condemnation proceedings, allowable purposes
26 for condemnation, notice requirements, the process for
27 appraisalment of damages, the rights of appeal in a
28 condemnation proceeding, the payment of damages
29 awarded by the compensation commission and interest
30 paid on damages, the time allowed by law to collect a

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1 condemnation award and the time allowed by law to take
2 possession of land condemned, and the separate
3 condemnation processes for utilities and the state
4 department of transportation.

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