

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1805 —

Directing state and federal leaders to consider fair approaches to possible global climate change regulations.

A RESOLUTION urging the leaders of the state of Kansas and the United States to address global climate change while safeguarding American jobs and America's global competitiveness.

WHEREAS, The greenhouse gas emissions of developing countries are rising more rapidly than the emissions of the United States and have surpassed the greenhouse gas emissions of the United States and other developed countries;

WHEREAS, Kansas's greenhouse gas emissions account for only 0.23% of global greenhouse gas emissions; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must not eliminate American jobs nor diminish the ability of American industry to compete in the global marketplace; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must reward, not punish, early adopters of energy efficient technologies and practices; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must adopt an international component to prevent "emissions leakage" and ensure that emissions do not simply migrate to another state or nation; and

WHEREAS, The only manner to quantify these emissions is through a domestic and international greenhouse gas emissions registry that is uniform, transparent, and verifiable; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must ensure that the adopted regime does not result in the off-shoring of international trade sensitive industries; and

WHEREAS, Manufacturing accounts for \$15.2 billion of Kansas's gross state product and is the number one contributor to the state's economy. Kansas has already lost 20,700 manufacturing jobs since 1998; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must ensure the availability of sufficient, affordable energy, including clean energy, before restricting emissions in a manner that could reduce the volume of energy available to consumers; and

WHEREAS, Any system to regulate greenhouse gas emissions must provide credits or allowances to support operations that reduce greenhouse gas emissions: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That the Senate of the state of Kansas and the United States should combat global climate change and reduce greenhouse gas emissions in a manner that promotes American jobs, saves American citizens and industries from higher energy prices, rewards early adopters of efficient practices and technologies, prevents "emissions leakage" and champions the global competitiveness of American industry; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to the governor of the state of Kansas, Mark Parkinson, and the Kansas Congressional delegation.