Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1606

By Committee on Agriculture

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A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the legislature of the state of Kansas to promote the use of ethanol and biodiesel fuels.

WHEREAS, The United States accounts for nearly 25% of the world's annual energy consumption; and

WHEREAS, The United States imports an ever increasing amount of crude oil, soon to approach 60%, from other nations; and

WHEREAS, The United States' market for liquid transportation fuels of gasoline and diesel is nearly two hundred billion gallons per year; and

WHEREAS, Domestic sources of renewable fuels, such as ethanol and biodiesel, made from agricultural feedstocks, can assist in meeting this ever-growing need for fuels in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Ethanol and biodiesel provide positive environmental benefits when used in conjunction with gasoline and diesel fuels; and

WHEREAS, The economic activity of processing agricultural products into ethanol and biodiesel can provide many positive benefits to the United States' economy during this time of economic stagnation, especially in rural and agriculturally-based communities: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of Representatives concurring therein: That it expressly encourages the governor of the state of Kansas to promote the use of ethanol and biodiesel as a fuel supply; and

Be it further resolved: That the Secretary of State be directed to send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the governor of the state of Kansas.