

By: Senator(s) Little, Johnson (19th)

To: Rules

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 63

1 A RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS
2 LEGISLATION BANNING PARTIAL-BIRTH ABORTIONS.

3 WHEREAS, in 1997, the United States Congress overwhelmingly
4 passed the "Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1997" (HR 1122); and

5 WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives passed
6 the "Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1997" by a vote of 295 ayes
7 and 136 nays; the United States Senate passed the act by a vote of
8 64 ayes and 36 nays; on October 10, 1997, President Bill Clinton
9 vetoed the "Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1997"; the U.S.
10 House of Representatives overrode the President's veto by a vote
11 of 295 ayes and 131 nays; and the Senate voted to override the
12 President's veto by a vote of 64 ayes and 36 nays, falling just
13 shy of the two-thirds vote required to override; and

14 WHEREAS, laws to ban this uniquely controversial late-term
15 abortion procedure have been passed in at least 30 states,
16 including: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia,
17 Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi,
18 Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Rhode Island, South
19 Carolina, South Dakota, Tennessee, Utah, Virginia, Wisconsin; and

20 WHEREAS, an overwhelming majority of Americans and members of
21 Congress support the banning of the abhorrent practice of
22 partial-birth abortions:

23 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF
24 MISSISSIPPI, That the Mississippi Senate urges the United States
25 Congress to pass, and the President of the United States to sign
26 into law, legislation banning partial-birth abortion.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a certified copy of this
28 resolution be sent by the Secretary of State to the President of
29 the United States Senate, Speaker of the U.S. House of
30 Representatives, and to each member of the Mississippi
31 congressional delegation.