

By: Senator(s) Wilemon

To: Rules

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 507

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING MISSISSIPPI RESIDENTS TO  
2 BOYCOTT TRAVEL TO ARUBA.

3 WHEREAS, the citizens of this state, as well as the nation,  
4 are deeply saddened over the disappearance of Birmingham resident  
5 and former Mississippi resident Natalee Holloway during her senior  
6 high school trip to Aruba; and

7 WHEREAS, tourism accounts for 70% of the gross domestic  
8 product of Aruba. The Dutch island receives some 728,000 visitors  
9 each year and an additional 550,000 cruise ship passengers. More  
10 than 70% of these tourists are from the United States; and

11 WHEREAS, currently the Aruban officials have failed to crack  
12 down on the parties involved in this case; and

13 WHEREAS, we will not tolerate a lack of justice for an  
14 American citizen:

15 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF  
16 MISSISSIPPI, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING THEREIN, That  
17 we do hereby urge all Mississippians to boycott travel to Aruba.

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That this resolution be forwarded by  
19 the Secretary of State to the President of the United States and  
20 members of the Mississippi congressional delegation and be made  
21 available to members of the Capitol Press Corps.