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To: Rules

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION MEMORIALIZING CONGRESS TO ADOPT A
2 RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR AN AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES
3 CONSTITUTION WHICH WOULD PROVIDE THAT THE RIGHT OF EACH PERSON TO
4 CLEAN AND HEALTHFUL AIR AND WATER, AND TO THE PROTECTION OF THE
5 OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE NATION, SHALL NOT BE INFRINGED UPON
6 BY ANY PERSON.

7 WHEREAS, the people of the Nation are increasingly besieged
8 by attacks on their personal security, their health and the health
9 of their families, and their right to enjoy the air, water and
10 natural resources of the Nation; and the continuing and growing
11 threat to the public health and the Nation's natural resources is
12 the challenge to our generation of the kind other generations
13 faced and overcame; and

14 WHEREAS, we are the custodians of the health of our children
15 and of future generations, whose ability to breathe clean air,
16 drink healthful water, avoid poisons, and share in the spiritual
17 regeneration that comes from wilderness and nature is in danger;
18 and we are obliged to protect each citizen from these threats as
19 surely as were previous generations obliged to enhance freedom,
20 justice and prosperity; and

21 WHEREAS, a constitutional remedy is necessary to accomplish
22 this goal; and

23 WHEREAS, Article V of the Constitution of the United States
24 provides for the proposal of amendments to the Constitution of the
25 United States by two-thirds concurrence of the members of both
26 Houses of Congress:

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF
28 REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, THE SENATE CONCURRING

29 THEREIN, That we do hereby memorialize the Congress of the United
30 States to submit to the several states the following amendment to
31 the Constitution of the United States:

32 "The natural resources of the nation are the
33 heritage of present and future generations. The right
34 of each person to clean and healthful air and water, and
35 to the protection of the other natural resources of the
36 nation, shall not be infringed upon by any person."

37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be
38 furnished to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of
39 Representatives of Congress and the members of the Mississippi
40 Congressional Delegation.