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1 _____ HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. _____

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4 BY REQUEST OF THE HOUSE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

6 A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF MONTANA OPPOSING, AND
 7 REQUESTING THE MONTANA CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO OPPOSE, FEDERAL LEGISLATION
 8 ESTABLISHING STANDARDS FOR BIRTH CERTIFICATES ISSUED BY THE STATES AND EITHER
 9 FORCING, OR BY THE THREAT OF WITHHOLDING FUNDS OR OTHER ACTION OR INACTION,
 10 PERSUADING THE STATES TO ADOPT THE STANDARDS.

12 WHEREAS, there is at least one bill before the U.S. Congress that would set federal standards for birth
 13 certificates issued by the states; and

14 WHEREAS, the House does not wish to be forced into adopting federal standards.

16 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF
 17 MONTANA:

18 That the House be opposed to federal legislation establishing standards for birth certificates issued by
 19 the states and either forcing, or by the threat of withholding funds or other action or inaction, persuading the
 20 states to adopt the standards.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Montana Congressional Delegation be strongly urged to work
 22 against the legislation.

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State send a copy of this resolution to the Montana
 24 Congressional Delegation and to the publisher of each newspaper in this state.

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