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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1008

Introduced by: Representatives Weber, Chicoine, Crisp, Lockner, and Lucas and Senators Kloucek and Vitter

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Urging changes to current federal farm policy.

2 WHEREAS, the current farm bill commonly referred to as "Freedom to Farm" has become
3 increasingly more reliant upon direct federal payments to farmers; and

4 WHEREAS, the current farm bill makes no provision to provide a reasonable "safety net"
5 to producers when prices are low and production is high; and

6 WHEREAS, a proposal commonly referred to as the "Cyre-Blindert proposal" is capable of
7 addressing these and other shortcomings of the FAIR ACT, also known as the "Freedom to
8 Farm" Act; and

9 WHEREAS, the Cyre-Blindert proposal has the potential to achieve a reasonable "safety net"
10 for producers in times of low price and increasing supply situations; and

11 WHEREAS, the Cyre-Blindert proposal achieves these and other benefits including improved
12 risk management, targeted disaster benefits, improved incomes for producers, and reduced
13 expenditures by the commodity credit corporation:

14 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the House of Representatives of the Seventy-
15 fifth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, the Senate concurring therein, that the South
16 Dakota Legislature supports this and other efforts to enhance and improve the current farm

- 1 policy of this nation and encourages the Congress of the United States to hold hearings and
- 2 consider adoption of the Cyre-Blindert proposal.