

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 1603**

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Proposed Amendments to  
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House Committee on Energy, Utilities and  
Telecommunications  
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1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION urging the President of the United  
2 States to consider current geopolitical tensions and support policies to  
3 ensure America's long-term energy affordability, security, leadership  
4 and progress.

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6 WHEREAS, On February 24, 2022, Russia began a full-scale invasion  
7 of Ukraine; and

8 WHEREAS, The ramifications of this invasion have rippled across the  
9 world, leaving economic uncertainty in its wake; and

10 WHEREAS, The world looks to the United States for energy  
11 leadership and stability as the current geopolitical events continue to pose  
12 economic disruptions at a time when inflation continues to adversely  
13 affect households worldwide; and

14 WHEREAS, Energy independence and national security should be a  
15 priority, as nothing is more essential to economic growth than reliable,  
16 affordable and abundant energy; and

17 WHEREAS, Punitive, unnecessary and burdensome regulations on  
18 small businesses in the oil and gas industry hinders progress toward  
19 energy independence; and

20 WHEREAS, America must take a stand and immediately stop  
21 importing all oil, gas and biofuels from our country's adversaries: Now,  
22 therefore,

23 *Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas, the House of*  
24 *Representatives concurring therein:* That we urge President Biden to  
25 reject unscientific environmental mandates that restrict domestic energy  
26 production and raise costs for American families; and

27 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the President of the United States  
28 to consider current geopolitical tensions and support policies that ensure  
29 America's long-term energy affordability, security, leadership and  
30 progress, including actions to increase investment in domestic refineries  
31 and natural gas production; and

32 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the President of the United States  
33 to expand domestic energy production and ensure energy reliability and

1 affordability for consumers by cutting through the bureaucratic red tape  
2 purposefully hampering the building of energy infrastructure, especially  
3 pipelines; and

4 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the President of the United States  
5 to reevaluate energy policies that have curtailed domestic production of  
6 oil and natural gas; and

7 *Be it further resolved:* That we urge the President of the United States  
8 to utilize our nation's abundant natural resources and relationships with  
9 energy-producing allies as leverage against a Russian regime that is intent  
10 on disrupting world peace and threatening global stability; and

11 *Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of State shall send an  
12 enrolled copy of this resolution to the President of the United States  
13 Joseph R. Biden and three enrolled copies to Senators Billinger and Fagg  
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and to Representatives Delperdang, Turner and Ohaebosim