

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 6—SENATORS NEAL AND SHAFFER

FEBRUARY 10, 1999

Referred to Committee on Human Resources and Facilities

SUMMARY—Expresses support for and desire to cooperate with Federal Government in its research of safety requirements for transmutation and storage of high-level nuclear waste in proposed nuclear repository in State of Nevada. (BDR R-1063)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State or on Industrial Insurance: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in ***bolded italics*** is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Expressing support for and the desire to cooperate with the Federal Government in its research of safety requirements for the transmutation and storage of high-level nuclear waste in a proposed nuclear repository in the State of Nevada.

- 1 WHEREAS, The United States of America has numerous nuclear
- 2 electrical generation power plants and a naval force powered by nuclear
- 3 energy; and
- 4 WHEREAS, The use of nuclear energy will provide clean, efficient and
- 5 safe methods for protecting the welfare and defense of the United States
- 6 into the next century; and
- 7 WHEREAS, The spent fuel rods must be safely stored in a remote area
- 8 with low population, preferably on public lands; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Nevada meets those requirements and currently is the only
- 10 state under consideration as a site for a nuclear repository; and
- 11 WHEREAS, The State of Nevada also faces the political disadvantage of
- 12 having only four members in Congress to represent the best interests of
- 13 this state; now, therefore, be it
- 14 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA,
- 15 JOINTLY, That the members of the Nevada Legislature do hereby support
- 16 and desire to cooperate with the Department of Energy while it researches
- 17 the safety requirements for the transmutation and storage of high-level
- 18 nuclear waste in a repository located in the State of Nevada; and be it
- 19 further

1 RESOLVED, That the benefits that could accrue to the State of Nevada,
2 including additional land grants, water allocations and monetary
3 allocations from a fund for nuclear repository fees, must be considered by
4 the members of the Nevada Legislature; and be it further
5 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.

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