

2023 HOUSE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

HCR 3035

2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Room JW327B, State Capitol

HCR 3035
3/16/2023

A concurrent resolution commending Taiwan's vibrant democracy, celebrating the 37th anniversary of North Dakota's sister-state relationship with Taiwan, recognizing North Dakota's trade relationship and academic exchange program with Taiwan, supporting the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st -Century Trade, and advocating for Taiwan's inclusion in the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity and international organizations that are important to the health, safety, and well-being of Taiwan's people and the world.

9:30 AM Chairman Longmuir opened the hearing. Members present: Chairman Longmuir, Vice Chairman Fegley, Rep. Hatlestad, Rep. Heilman, Rep. Holle, Rep. Jonas, Rep. Klemin, Rep. Motschenbacher, Rep. Ostlie, Rep. Rios, Rep. Toman, Rep. Warrey, Rep. Davis, and Rep. Hager.

Discussion Topics:

- Amendment
- ND's relationship with Taiwan.
- Health and safety.

Rep. Satrom: Introduced the bill. Testimony #25553

Andrew Alexis Varvel, Bismarck, ND. Testimony #25197

The hearing was closed at 9:44 AM

Rep. Klemin moved the amendment 23.3089.01002
Seconded by Rep. Ostlie

Representatives	Vote
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Clayton Fegley	Y
Representative Jayme Davis	N
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	N
Representative Patrick Hatlestad	Y
Representative Matt Heilman	Y
Representative Dawson Holle	Y
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Lawrence R. Klemin	Y
Representative Mike Motschenbacher	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	Y
Representative Nico Rios	Y
Representative Nathan Toman	Y
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y

Roll call vote 12 Yes 2 No 0 Absent; Motion carried.

Rep. Ostlie moved a Do Pass as Amended;
Seconded by Rep. Klemin

Representatives	Vote
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Clayton Fegley	Y
Representative Jayme Davis	Y
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	N
Representative Patrick Hatlestad	Y
Representative Matt Heilman	Y
Representative Dawson Holle	Y
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Lawrence R. Klemin	Y
Representative Mike Motschenbacher	Y
Representative Mitch Ostlie	Y
Representative Nico Rios	Y
Representative Nathan Toman	Y
Representative Jonathan Warrey	Y

Roll call vote: 13 Yes 1 No 0 Absent; Motion carried.
Carrier: Rep. Klemin

The meeting closed at 9:53 AM.

DeLores Shimek, Committee Clerk

March 16, 2023

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3035

Page 1, line 15, remove "and green energy"

Page 1, line 16, remove "the United Nations Framework"

Page 1, line 17, remove "Convention on Climate Change, and"

Page 1, line 17, replace "as well as" with "and"

Page 2, line 9, remove the second "Executive"

Page 2, line 10, remove "Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate
Change,"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3035: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Longmuir, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3035 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 15, remove "and green energy"

Page 1, line 16, remove "the United Nations Framework"

Page 1, line 17, remove "Convention on Climate Change, and"

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Renumber accordingly

2023 SENATE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

HCR 3035

2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

State and Local Government Committee
Room JW216, State Capitol

HCR 3035
4/6/2023

Commending Taiwan's vibrant democracy. Celebrating the 37th anniversary of ND's sister-state relationship with Taiwan. Recognizing ND's trade relationship and academic exchange with Taiwan, supporting the US-Taiwan Initiative on 21st Century Trade, and advocating for Taiwan's inclusion in the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity and international organizations that are important to the health, safety, and well-being of Taiwan's people and the world.

9:00 AM Chair Roers opened the hearing. Present: Chair Roers, Vice Chair Barta, Sen Cleary, Sen Estenson, Sen J Lee, and Sen Braunberger.

Discussion Topics:

- Great friends
- Supplier of computer chips

Rep Satrom, Dist 12, bill sponsor testified in support with no written testimony.

Andrew Alexis Varvel, Bismarck, ND testified in support via TEAMS #27322.

Sen Lee brought forth an amendment #27386.

Sen Lee moved amendment LC 23.3089.03001 deleting House amendment.

Sen Braunberger seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Kristin Roers	Y
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Ryan Braunberger	Y
Senator Sean Cleary	Y
Senator Judy Estenson	N
Senator Judy Lee	Y

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES – 5 NO – 1 Absent – 0 Motion PASSED

Sen Lee moved a DO PASS as Amended. Sen Braunberger seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Kristin Roers	Y
Senator Jeff Barta	Y
Senator Ryan Braunberger	Y
Senator Sean Cleary	Y
Senator Judy Estenson	Y
Senator Judy Lee	Y

ROLL CALL VOTE: YES – 6 NO – 0 Absent – 0 Motion PASSED

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Sen Lee will carry the bill.

9:30 AM Chair Roers closed the hearing.

Pam Dever, Committee Clerk

23.3089.03001
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Adopted by the Senate State and Local
Government Committee
April 6, 2023

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4-6-23
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
NO. 3035

Page 1, line 16, after the first comma insert "United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change,"

Page 2, line 7, after the second comma insert "Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change,"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HCR 3035, as engrossed: State and Local Government Committee (Sen. K. Roers, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HCR 3035 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This resolution does not affect workforce development.

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2023 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

HCR 3035

2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Room JW327B, State Capitol

HCR 3035
4/17/2023
Conference Committee

A concurrent resolution commending Taiwan's vibrant democracy, celebrating the 37th anniversary of North Dakota's sister-state relationship with Taiwan, recognizing North Dakota's trade relationship and academic exchange program with Taiwan, supporting the U.S.-Taiwan Initiative on 21st -Century Trade, and advocating for Taiwan's inclusion in the Indo-Pacific Economic Framework for Prosperity and international organizations that are important to the health, safety, and well-being of Taiwan's people and the world.

Rep. Jonas, Chairman opened the meeting at 10:00 AM.

Members Present: Rep. Jonas, Rep. Heilman, Rep. Hager; Senator Judy Lee, Chairman, Senator Braunberger and Senator Estenson.

Discussion Topics:

- Climate change.
- Amendment

Committee Discussion.

Rep. Hager moved House accede to Senate Amendments;
Seconded by Senator Lee

Roll call vote: 5 Yes 1 No 0 Absent; Motion carried.
House Carrier: Rep. Jonas Senate Carrier: Senator Lee

The meeting closed at 10:19 AM.

Delores Shimek, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

HCR 3035, as engrossed: Your conference committee (Sens. Lee, Braunberger, Estenson and Reps. Jonas, Heilman, Hager) recommends that the **HOUSE ACCEDE** to the Senate amendments as printed on HJ page 1798 and place HCR 3035 on the Seventh order.

Engrossed HCR 3035 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

TESTIMONY

HCR 3035

House Political Subdivisions Committee
House Concurrent Resolution 3035

Andrew Alexis Varvel
Written Testimony

Chairman Longmuir, Vice Chairman Fegley, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Andrew Alexis Varvel. I live in Bismarck, District 47.

These are difficult times, with increasingly aggressive rhetoric and saber rattling emanating from Beijing. Cultural genocide is proceeding against Uighurs in Xinjiang Province. This comes in the aftermath of Beijing's botched response to the Covid-19 pandemic, including a policy in early 2020 which effectively promoted the international spread of what had been known then as the Wuhan Coronavirus from Wuhan Tianhe International Airport at a time when railroad travel to and from Wuhan had ceased due to a stringent quarantine.

This also comes at a time when Beijing's support for Russia's invasion of Ukraine is becoming increasingly evident. Whatever else can be said about the Republic of China, Taiwan has escaped the ravages of Chairman Mao's Cultural Revolution. Taiwan also escaped the ravages of the Covid-19 pandemic due to how Beijing had imposed an economic boycott, in contrast to how Covid-19 spread from Mainland China to Iran.

We should consider how the Republic of China fought valiantly against Imperial Japan during World War II, both before and after Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor.

Imperial Japan focused its efforts during World War II on defeating the Republic of China. These efforts included horrific reprisals – reprisals which included biological warfare – in response to the Doolittle Raid. Japanese atrocities left the Republic of China greatly weakened, leaving Mainland China vulnerable to later conquest by Soviet proxies.

So, the State of North Dakota should continue to strengthen our economic ties with Taiwan. In contrast to economic mismanagement on the mainland, the Republic of China has flourished in Taiwan. Please give HCR 3035 a DO PASS recommendation.

Thank you.

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Representative Satrom
March 14, 2023

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Page 1, line 15, remove "and green energy"

Renumber accordingly

ORAL TESTIMONY SCRIPT – HCR 3035
Senate State & Local Committee
April 6, 2023

Madame Chairman Roers and
Members of the Committee:

My name is Andrew Alexis Varvel.

I live in Bismarck. For those members of this committee who believe that pronouns matter, my preferred pronouns are rock/paper/scissors.

I support this resolution.

These Taiwan resolutions have turned into something of a tradition at the North Dakota Legislature.

Back in 1979, the North Dakota Legislature passed House Concurrent Resolution 3024, urging the United States to maintain diplomatic relations with the Republic of China.

Over the past twenty years, at least seven resolutions similar to this one have cleared the Legislature.

[2005 (3024), 2007 (3039), 2011 (3005), 2013 (3030), 2015 (4013), 2017 (3034), and 2019 (3032)]

Otherwise, I refer you to my previously submitted written testimony.

Thank you for your time, and I'm open for questions from this committee.

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