

## HOUSE RESOLUTION No. 6018

By Representatives Pilcher-Cook, Beamer, Brown, Brunk, Carter, Dahl, Faber, Freeborn, George, Goico, Grange, M. Holmes, Huebert, Hutchins, Huy, E. Johnson, Kelley, Kelsey, Kiegerl, Kilpatrick, Kinzer, Knox, Landwehr, Mast, McCreary, McLeland, Merrick, F. Miller, Jim Morrison, Myers, Novascone, Oharah, Olson, Otto, Pauls, Peck, Powers, Siegfroid, Vickrey and Watkins

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14 A RESOLUTION to promote objectivity in science education.

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16 WHEREAS, Objectivity is needed in science education, because sci-  
17 entific explanations can significantly impact the quality of science and  
18 world views, including those about religion, government and ethics: Now,  
19 therefore,

20 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kan-*  
21 *sas:* That in order to promote good science education, academic free-  
22 dom and religious neutrality, this legislative body urges the State Board  
23 of Education and public schools within the state to (a) prepare students  
24 to distinguish the data and testable theories of science from religious or  
25 philosophical claims that are made in the name of science and  
26 (b), where topics are taught that may generate controversy (such as  
27 biological evolution), provide curriculum that will help students under-  
28 stand the full range of scientific views that exist, why such topics may  
29 generate controversy and how scientific discoveries can profoundly affect  
30 society; and

31 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of Repre-  
32 sentatives provide an enrolled copy of this resolution to each member of  
33 the Kansas State Board of Education.