

SENATE RESOLUTION No. 1855

A RESOLUTION urging the United States Government to support the NewGen Tanker.

WHEREAS, The Boeing Company has been building and maintaining refueling tankers for the United States Air Force for 60 years and has more experience building tankers than any other company on earth; and

WHEREAS, The Boeing NewGen Tanker will be designed to meet all Air Force requirements, incorporate innovative 21st century refueling systems, and will combine a modern digital flight deck with state-of-the-art 787 features; and

WHEREAS, The Boeing-built tankers are safe and survivable in combat, where it counts most; and

WHEREAS, During the previous tanker competition, the Air Force concluded the Boeing tanker was significantly more survivable than the Airbus tanker, and that Boeing's pilot-oriented flight controls provide full combat maneuverability in all situations; and

WHEREAS, Awarding the contract to Boeing would create or retain approximately 50,000 skilled jobs in the United States' high-technology aviation industry and provide good jobs to Kansans; and

WHEREAS, Manufacturing and maintaining our indispensable U.S. air refueling tanker fleet with American hands on American soil is much preferable and more sensible from a national security standpoint than abdicating this vital project to a foreign supplier: Now, therefore,

*Be it resolved by the Senate of the State of Kansas:* That the 40 members of the Kansas Senate stand firmly united in the conviction that the Boeing NewGen Tanker is a superior airframe and that the expertise of the Boeing workforce is second to no one in the world; and that the United States Government and the United States Congress are strongly exhorted to select the Boeing NewGen Tanker; and

*Be it further resolved:* That the Secretary of the Senate be directed to send enrolled copies of this resolution to the President of the United States, the Secretary of Defense, the United States Senate Majority Leader, the United States Senate Republican Leader, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, the United States House of Representatives

Republican Leader and each member of the Kansas Congressional Delegation.

Senate Resolution No. 1855 was sponsored by Senators Petersen, Abrams, Apple, Barnett, Brownlee, Bruce, Brungardt, Colyer, Donovan, Emler, Faust-Goudeau, Francisco, Haley, Hensley, Holland, Huelskamp, Huntington, Kelly, Kelsey, Kultala, Lee, Lynn, Marshall, Masterson, McGinn, Morris, Ostmeyer, Owens, Pilcher-Cook, Pyle, Reitz, D. Schmidt, V. Schmidt, Schodorf, Steineger, Taddiken, Teichman, Umbarger, Vratil and Wagle.

I hereby certify that the above RESOLUTION originated in the SENATE, and was adopted by that body

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President of the Senate.

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Secretary of the Senate.