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**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5014**

As Amended by Senate Committee on
Agriculture

Brief*

HCR 5014 would urge the United States Congress to enact revisions to the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act to allow the interstate shipment and marketing of meat products by state-inspected meat processing facilities.

Background

At the hearing on the resolution, a spokesperson from the Kansas Livestock Association indicated that they have been trying to enact federal legislation for 20 years on this issue. The spokesperson stated that state-inspected plant operators have expressed their frustration about their inability to ship their products across state lines. A spokesperson from the Kansas Farm Bureau also spoke in favor of the resolution.

The Senate Committee on Agriculture amended the bill so that the resolution would be sent to the Majority Leader of the United States Senate rather than to the President of the United States Senate.

*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.ink.org/public/legislative/fulltext.cgi>