

SENATE RESOLUTION

8662

By Senators C. Wilson, Kuderer, J. Wilson, Lovick, Nobles, Billig, Boehnke, Cleveland, and Wellman

1           WHEREAS, The National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) was  
2 founded in 1975 and has evolved during the past half-century to  
3 become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving state and  
4 territorial legislators and legislative staff; and

5           WHEREAS, It was created from the merger of three organizations  
6 that served or represented state legislatures and that shared the  
7 belief that legislative service is one of democracy's worthiest  
8 pursuits; and

9           WHEREAS, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with three objectives:  
10 To advance the effectiveness, independence, and integrity of state  
11 legislatures; to foster interstate communication and cooperation; and  
12 to ensure states a strong, cohesive voice in the federal system; and

13           WHEREAS, Our nation's state legislatures are America's  
14 laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they are  
15 the bodies to tackle emerging challenges, and state legislatures are  
16 where people from very different backgrounds, representing very  
17 different communities, can come together and find common ground, and  
18 NCSL has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided critical  
19 research and information, and encouraged a rigorous review of complex  
20 issues confronting our communities, states, and nation, and NCSL  
21 strives to strengthen the bonds between America's state legislatures  
22 and the international community;

1           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate of the state  
2 of Washington recognize and commend the National Conference of  
3 State Legislatures for their superb leadership and their  
4 commitment to the legislative institution; and

5           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate of  
6 the state of Washington is authorized and directed to transmit  
7 an appropriate copy of this resolution to the National  
8 Conference of State Legislatures.

9 I, Sarah Bannister, Secretary of the Senate,  
10 do hereby certify that this is a true and  
11 correct copy of Senate Resolution 8662,  
12 adopted by the Senate  
13 January 30, 2024

14 SARAH BANNISTER  
15 Secretary of the Senate