

1 **HOUSE RESOLUTION - ENCOURAGING TASK**
2 **FORCE ON SKULL VALLEY DEVELOPMENT**

3 1999 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Sponsor: Eli H. Anderson**

6 A RESOLUTION OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ENCOURAGING THE
7 ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO RESEARCH THE DEVELOPMENT AND
8 PROCUREMENT OF CATAPULTS TO GUARD THE MOAT AND DRAWBRIDGE IN
9 SKULL VALLEY; ENCOURAGING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE SKULL
10 VALLEY BAND OF GOSHUTE INDIANS; AND ENCOURAGING RESTRICTIONS ON
11 GOODS MANUFACTURED WITH NUCLEAR POWER AND NUCLEAR WASTE FROM
12 ENTERING THE STATE OF UTAH.

13 *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the state of Utah:*

14 WHEREAS, goods manufactured with nuclear power and nuclear waste should not be
15 permitted to enter the state of Utah;

16 WHEREAS, economic development efforts for the Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians
17 should be encouraged;

18 WHEREAS, to address these concerns, a task force consisting of not fewer than 5 persons
19 and not more than 15 persons, should be established by the Governor, with members appointed
20 by the Governor, the Speaker of the Utah House of Representatives, the President of the Utah
21 Senate, the Tooele County Commission, and the Chairman of the Skull Valley Band of Goshute
22 Indians;

23 WHEREAS, the task force would be responsible for the research, development, and
24 procurement of catapults to guard the moat and drawbridge installed by the Governor to prevent
25 radioactive waste from entering Skull Valley;

26 WHEREAS, developed by the Greeks in the third and fourth centuries and perfected for
27 use in sieges and other conflicts by the Romans, the catapult and the technology behind its

28 development were adapted to achieve key breakthroughs in the development of aircraft in the early
29 20th century;

30 WHEREAS, the catapult would be essential to protecting Skull Valley and the state of
31 Utah, particularly since a railroad which would not cross any state roads may be constructed to
32 transport radioactive waste from Interstate 80 south to the Goshute Reservation;

33 WHEREAS, in a brilliant reversal of traditional siege tactics, the catapults could be used
34 both to protect the moat and drawbridge and to transport food and other life-sustaining essentials
35 into Skull Valley in the event of a prolonged siege precipitated by attacks on the moat and
36 drawbridge;

37 WHEREAS, without state roads to block the progress of the railroad, and delivery of
38 radioactive waste to Skull Valley, catapults located on state land that are designed to concentrate
39 their projectiles onto the railroad may be the last line of defense for the state;

40 WHEREAS, in addition to protecting Skull Valley from the intrusion of radioactive waste
41 from the nether regions, the unique moat and drawbridge, which is unlike any other in the world,
42 may be expected to attract tourists from near and far;

43 WHEREAS, with the addition of catapults, which may be designed to double as
44 amusement park rides, Skull Valley will be a remarkable tourist destination served by fast,
45 convenient, well-maintained state roads;

46 WHEREAS, with more tourists spending more time and dollars at Skull Valley, the Skull
47 Valley Band of Goshute Indians may recognize economic growth through the sale of beadwork,
48 baskets, and other native crafts;

49 WHEREAS, the task force could also recommend statutory revisions to prevent goods
50 manufactured with nuclear power, and nuclear waste from such power plants, from entering the
51 state;

52 WHEREAS, the Governor could include funding in the 2000-2001 budget for the
53 procurement and development of catapults as recommended by the task force; and

54 WHEREAS, the state of Utah should act decisively to meet this potential threat to the
55 citizens of Utah:

56 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives of the state
57 of Utah encourage the establishment of a task force to research, develop, and procure catapults to
58 guard the moat and drawbridge installed by the Governor to prevent radioactive waste from

59 entering Skull Valley.

60 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the House of Representatives encourage economic
61 development for the Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians and urge restrictions on goods
62 manufactured from nuclear power and nuclear waste from entering the state.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Skull Valley
64 Band of Goshute Indians **h [and] , h Private Fuel Storage h , AND THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE**
64a **OF UTAH h .**

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A limited legal review of this legislation raises no obvious constitutional or statutory concerns.

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