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CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

February 10, 2009

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

The Joint Conference Committee comprised of Sens. Jenkins, Madsen, and Romero, and Reps. Dee, Herrod, and Cosgrove, recommends **S.C.R. 1, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A FEDERAL WAIVER TO ESTABLISH AN EMPLOYER-SPONSORED WORK PROGRAM**, by Senator S. Jenkins, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 2, Lines 36 through 46a*

House Floor Amendments

2-5-2009:

36 WHEREAS, a federal waiver would be required for Utah to institute an
37 employer-sponsored work program providing a two-year, renewable guest worker
authorization
38 for foreign workers ~~H→ [and undocumented immigrants currently residing in the state]~~
~~←H ;~~

39 WHEREAS, a second waiver is needed to withhold {federal} FICA and
Medicare revenue
40 and apply it toward the {health insurance and other administrative} costs of the
program;

41 H→ {+} WHEREAS, the proposed employer-sponsored work program will
allow for Utah to
42 deal with its current undocumented population in a fair manner {+} i [by
giving each undocumented

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- 43 ~~immigrant an opportunity to be classified as a guest worker and receive a two-year~~
~~immigration~~
44 ~~benefit that has the possibility of being renewed;]~~ ←H
45 WHEREAS, the employer-sponsored work program would also address Utah's need
for
46 both unskilled and skilled laborers H→ while ensuring that all available local workers are
given
46a ample opportunity to meet that need ←H ;

Respectfully,

Sen. Jenkins
Senate Chair, Conference Committee

Rep. Dee
House Chair, Conference Committee

Voting: 6-0-0

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