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Senator Peter C. Knudson proposes the following substitute bill:

JOINT RESOLUTION ON TAIWAN

2012 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Peter C. Knudson

House Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution of the Legislature urges the Obama Administration to ~~{take specific action to}~~ support Taiwan's meaningful participation in the United Nations ~~{and to support sales of F-16 C/D series fighter jets to Taiwan}~~ as an observer.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ urges the Obama Administration to support Taiwan's meaningful participation as an observer in the United Nations' specialized agencies, programs, and conventions~~{~~
and

~~→ urges the Obama Administration to support sales of F-16 C/D series fighter jets to the government of Taiwan to upgrade its air defense capacity.~~

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Special Clauses:

None

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

WHEREAS, in May 2009, Taiwan's inclusion in the World Health Organization raised the possibility for Taiwan to be meaningfully involved in other United Nations' agencies, programs, and conventions;

WHEREAS, the Taipei Flight Information Region, under the jurisdiction of the Government of Taiwan, covers an airspace of 176,000 square nautical miles and provides air traffic control services to over 1,350,000 flights annually;

WHEREAS, Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport is recognized as the world's 8th largest airport by international cargo volume and number of international passengers;

WHEREAS, exclusion from the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) since 1971 has impeded the efforts of the Government of Taiwan to maintain civil aviation practice that comports with evolving international standards due to its inability to contact the ICAO for up-to-date information on aviation standards and norms in a timely manner;

WHEREAS, the exclusion of Taiwan from the ICAO has prevented the ICAO from developing a truly global strategy to address security threats based on effective international cooperation; and

WHEREAS, ~~the~~ ICAO rules ~~of the International Civil Aviation Organization~~ and existing practices have allowed for the meaningful participation of noncontracting nations, as well as other bodies, in its meetings and activities ~~through~~ by granting ~~of~~ observer status;

~~WHEREAS, the United States arms sales to Taiwan are guided by the 1979 Taiwan Relations Act, which calls for the United States to provide defense weaponry to Taiwan and to prevent the forcible invasion of Taiwan by China;~~

~~WHEREAS, the approved sales of the F-16 A/B upgrade package to Taiwan in 2011 cannot address the increasing military imbalance between Taiwan and China;~~

~~WHEREAS, successive reports issued by the United States and Taiwanese defense authorities indicate that Taiwan continues to face threats, including the continued military buildup by China;~~

~~WHEREAS, as an example, Beijing has more than 2,000 missiles aimed at Taiwan and~~

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~~continues to add to this number;~~

~~———— WHEREAS, China is also forging ahead and deploying next generation military technology;~~

~~———— WHEREAS, Taiwan's F-16 A/B Mirage and Indigenous Defense Fighter (IDF) fleets are outdated;~~

~~———— WHEREAS, Taiwan's failure to obtain advanced fighters severely weakens its air defense capacity;~~

~~———— WHEREAS, concern has been raised from military experts that Taiwan is losing its qualitative advantage in defensive arms, which has long served as its primary military deterrent;~~

~~———— WHEREAS, the sale of F-16 C/D fighters can make Taiwan a force multiplier and give a boost to the United States' "anti-access" and "air-sea battle" plans; and~~

~~———— WHEREAS, the F-16 C/D arms sale would yield approximately \$5 billion, plus the accrued follow-up maintenance costs, to the United States, supporting at least 10,000 direct jobs and 30,000 indirect jobs in more than 40 states in the United States;~~

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah urges the Obama Administration to support Taiwan's meaningful participation as an observer in the United Nations' specialized agencies, programs, and conventions.

~~{ ——— BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature urges the Obama Administration to support sales of F-16 C/D series fighter jets to the government of Taiwan to upgrade its air defense capacity.~~

‡ BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the president of the United States, the government of Taiwan, and the members of Utah's congressional delegation.

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Legislative Review Note

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