

1 **RESOLUTION SUPPORTING PRESIDENTIAL**
2 **TRADE PROMOTION AUTHORITY**

3 2007 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Mark B. Madsen**

6 House Sponsor: Sheryl L. Allen

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This joint resolution of the Legislature supports reauthorization of the Presidential
11 Trade Promotion Authority under certain conditions.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This resolution:
14 ▶ supports reauthorization of the Presidential Trade Promotion Authority provided
15 that certain conditions impacting the state's interests are included.

16 **Special Clauses:**

17 None

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

20 WHEREAS, the Presidential Trade Promotion Authority concerning international trade
21 agreements is set to expire on June 30, 2007; and

22 WHEREAS, the Legislature is concerned with international trade agreements' potential
23 negative impacts on state policy and state regulatory authority and practices:

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Utah
25 supports Congressional reauthorization of the Presidential Trade Promotion Authority,
26 provided that trade agreements negotiated under that authority:

27 (1) grant no greater rights, either substantive or procedural, to foreign investors than
28 those possessed by or granted to Utah residents;

29 (2) protect state police and regulatory authority;

- 30 (3) exempt state laws existing at the time of the agreement's adoption;
- 31 (4) utilize an opt-in process for making commitments concerning state-level
- 32 authorities or interests;
- 33 (5) fully indemnify the state for any monetary claims brought against the United
- 34 States under a trade agreement based on state action;
- 35 (6) require express congressional action to preempt state law necessary to comply
- 36 with a trade agreement;
- 37 (7) require reimbursement of state expenses incurred in a trade dispute;
- 38 (8) preserve states' rights to enact and enforce labor and environmental standards;
- 39 and
- 40 (9) be presented to the United States Trade Representative's Intergovernmental
- 41 Policy Advisory Committee immediately upon the conclusion of the first round
- 42 of negotiations.