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Mr. Speaker:

The Government Operations Committee reports a favorable recommendation on **H.J.R. 25**, JOINT RESOLUTION URGING EMPLOYERS TO HIRE ONLY INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE AUTHORIZED TO WORK IN THE UNITED STATES, by Representative C. Herrod, with the following amendments:

1. *Page 2, Lines 38 through 41:*

38 WHEREAS, { ~~the Utah economy is further weakened when unauthorized~~
workers
39 ~~transfer a significant portion of their earnings to foreign nations rather than~~
~~spending them in~~
40 ~~Utah where they would support local businesses and contribute to Utah's sales tax~~
~~collections;~~} legal immigrants, who have made great sacrifices to follow the law,
often suffer the most from these unauthorized workers and must wait longer to bring
their family members to this country
41 WHEREAS, unauthorized workers are more likely to suffer exploitation and unfair

2. *Page 2, Lines 44 through 46:*

44 WHEREAS, 13% of all identity theft in Utah is employment related, and
{~~1,629~~} 1,626
45 companies were found to be paying salaries to individuals with Social Security numbers of
46 Utah children on public assistance under age 13; and

3. *Page 2, Lines 49 through 51:*

49 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
50 urges employers in Utah to take all steps possible to verify the documentation of an
employee's legal status to ensure that they preserve the jobs of
51 American citizens and legal residents, protect Utah employers who comply with state and

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Respectfully,

Craig A. Frank
Committee Chair

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