

Bill as Introduced

HR 6 - AS INTRODUCED

2011 SESSION

11-0359

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HOUSE RESOLUTION **6**

A RESOLUTION **condemning the taking of a private business by a foreign government.**

SPONSORS: **Rep. Hawkins, Hills 18**

COMMITTEE: **State-Federal Relations and Veterans Affairs**

ANALYSIS

This resolution condemns the governments of Quebec and Canada for taking the private business of a New Hampshire resident and asserts that such actions violate the North American Free Trade Agreement.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

In the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand Eleven

A RESOLUTION condemning the taking of a private business by a foreign government.

1 Whereas, in May 2008 the government of Quebec illegally took away the private business of New
2 Hampshire resident William Greiner; and

3 Whereas, the government of Quebec violated the North American Free Trade Act by its taking of
4 the private business of William Greiner; and

5 Whereas, the governments of Quebec and Canada have not been forthcoming relative to the
6 illegal taking of William Greiner's private business; and

7 Whereas, the governments of Quebec and Canada have been disingenuous towards William
8 Greiner and those who have inquired on his behalf in the nearly 3 years since the business was
9 taken away from William Greiner; and

10 Whereas, the government of Quebec took away the private business of William Greiner for
11 political reasons as well as the fact that he is a United States citizen; now, therefore, be it

12 Resolved by the House of Representatives:

13 That the New Hampshire House of Representatives hereby condemns the illegal taking of a
14 private business by a foreign government and demands a detailed explanation of this illegal taking
15 and violation of the North American Free Trade Act; requests an appearance before the New
16 Hampshire legislature by those Quebec government officials who made the decision to take away this
17 business, including Mrs. Nathalie Normandeau, for direct testimony, requests an appearance before
18 the New Hampshire legislature by Mr. Patrick Muzzi, who authored a letter dated May 11, 2010 to
19 Commissioner Bald, for an explanation of the letter and why this matter was not resolved, and
20 demands immediate compensation by the governments of Quebec and Canada for this illegal seizure;
21 and

22 That copies of this resolution, signed by the speaker of the house of representatives, be sent by
23 the house clerk to the responsible Canadian officials, including Mrs. Nathalie Normandeau and
24 Mr. Patrick Muzzi, and to each member of the New Hampshire congressional delegation.

Speakers

Hearing Minutes

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

PUBLIC HEARING ON HR 6

BILL TITLE: condemning the taking of a private business by a foreign government.

DATE: January 13, 2011.

LOB ROOM: 203 **Time Public Hearing Called to Order:** 11:26 a.m.

Time Adjourned: 11:45 a.m.

(please circle if present)

Committee Members: Reps. ~~Baldasare~~, ~~Blankenbaker~~, ~~L. Christiansen~~, ~~T. Smith~~, ~~Cunningham~~, ~~Kingsbury~~, ~~Carsen~~, ~~Lundgren~~, ~~McCarthy~~, ~~Notter~~, ~~Famburello~~, ~~Vitao~~, ~~Rokas~~, ~~Domingo~~, ~~Hofmann~~, Theberge and Spainhower.

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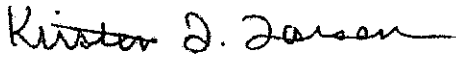
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the government of Quebec. Foreign businesses pay a higher transfer tax. The issue has been brought to the attention of the US Ambassador to Canada. There is an established court for NAFTA. You have to file notice of intent but there is no statute of limitations. The government of Quebec has refused to agree to the terms to arbitrate. If one party is unwilling to agree to terms the matter can be drawn out indefinitely.

Grenier will submit updated information on the federal delegates have agreed to do.

Respectfully submitted,



Rep. ^{Larsen} ~~Kristen~~ Larsen,
Clerk

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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Time Adjourned: 11:45

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Committee Members: Reps. Baldasaro, Blankenbaker, L. Christiansen, T. Smith, Cunningham, Kingsbury, Larsen, Lundgren, McCarthy, Notter, Yamburello, Vita, Rokas, Domingo, Hofmann, Theberge and Spainhower.

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(Rep. Kenneth Hawkins)

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Testimony

In 2002 I started a business in Quebec which provided outfitting services for Atlantic Salmon fishing and hunting. Outfitting included guided fishing and hunting trips, along with lodging and meals. My target market was the U.S., and most of my clientele came from New England and New York.

In total, I invested close to \$1.5 million into establishing, marketing, and branding this business. From the outset, however, there was opposition to my business within Quebec. Initially, my business was opposed by a competing outfitting business that was Quebec-owned. And, within a short time, The Quebec Government began to make things difficult for my business through the imposition of new regulations. Despite this, I remained in business.

The competing Quebec outfitting business, which had lobbied for the new restrictive regulations for my business, then reached out to The Quebec Government for money to build brand new lodging facilities to better compete with me. In turn, the Quebec Government partnered with the Canadian Government and provided this Quebec-owned outfitter with \$1.5 million in grants, along with some loans that were guaranteed by the Governments. Construction of these new facilities began in 2007, with completion in 2008. On May 22, 2008, just days before my first clients of the year were set to arrive at my lodge, the Quebec Government sent me a letter which revoked my authorizations of commerce, which immediately put me out of business.

The letter states *"This decision, in force immediately, was taken for economical considerations linked to salmon fishing in Gaspesie and with the goal of maintaining an acceptable social environment for all anglers and salmon river management organisations on the Gaspé peninsula"*

The Quebec Government specifically has been asked to explain its actions. It has refused to do so.

Quite simply, their actions taken in the May 22nd letter, were taken illegally and in violation of NAFTA. They viewed me then as they view me today; an American small business owner who would complain about the actions taken, but who probably would choose not to do anything because of the great effort and expense it would take to fight the Government of Canada .

We cannot have free trade when one party does not respect a trade agreement and acts in a discriminating manner toward a foreign investor. I would respectfully ask you to let those in Quebec and Canada who made this decision know that it is not acceptable, and that they should adhere to their obligations under NAFTA and to resolve this issue accordingly.

Mr. Chairman:

I would like to thank you and this Committee for this hearing and for the opportunity to address you today.

About nine years ago, I started an outfitting business in Gaspé, Quebec and between 2002 and 2008 I invested nearly \$1.5 million into this business.

The business was offering outfitting services consisting of primarily Atlantic Salmon Fishing on Quebec's Gaspé Peninsula. The outfitting services consisted of providing guided fishing or hunting along with meals and lodging.

Although we were a brand new business, with a little time and a lot of effort, we were able to establish and develop a strong reputation. During my first year in operation, we were featured on OLN (Outdoor Life Network). In the following years, we were featured ESPN, NESN, and The Outdoor Channel, as well as written about in numerous publications including The Denver Post, San Diego Union Tribune, Houston Chronicle, and The Bangor Daily News. Additionally, my business was featured in most of the outdoor fly fishing magazines.

Most of my clientele came from the United States, as the vast majority of my marketing was directed to the United States market. Due to that fact, and the fact that I am an American Businessman operating in Quebec, there was opposition in Quebec to my business. This opposition also grew out of the fact that I was in direct competition with businesses that were supported by the Quebec Government. To explain, there was a Quebec-owned local outfitting business which I directly competed with, who had very strong opposition to the existence of my business since its inception. Realizing that they would now have to compete with me, this other business, which received all of its fishing access from the Government without charge, embarked on a substantial renovation plan for their lodging facilities. This Quebec-based outfitting operation secured grants and loan guarantees from the Quebec and Canadian Governments for approximately \$1.5 million. Consequently, there was a vested interest on the part of these Governments for this other business to succeed and not have competition.

In 2006, in an effort to limit or eliminate my business, and, as I believe, in response to the political opposition to me and my business, the Quebec Government changed fishing regulations which were specifically intended to impact my business in a negative way. These new regulations were an attempt to limit the number of clients I would be able to service. However, in no way did these regulations affect the number of anglers on the rivers, it merely shifted those licensing opportunities to Canadian anglers. The Government in fact acknowledged that the changed regulations were made to affect my business specifically and caused a "prejudice" to my business.

In May 2008, the Quebec government made additional efforts to put me out of business, this time they were successful. In May 2008, I had yet to receive the renewal of my authorizations of commerce for the York, Dartmouth, and St. Jean Rivers. The authorization of commerce granted me the right to conduct business on these three rivers. At that time, the vast majority of my business came from activity related to those three rivers. By letter dated May 22, 2008, the Quebec Government revoked my authorization of commerce. This action put me out of business. The Quebec Government knew this action would have that result, as in prior years I had reported to the Government a detail of where all of my outfitting activity occurred. They were made aware of my dependence on those three rivers for my business to continue and that is why they targeted them.

Since the Quebec Government's actions that ended my business, I have worked with several elected officials including Senator's Sununu, Gregg, and Shaheen as well as Governor Lynch's office in an effort to resolve this issue and receive fair compensation. The US Departments of Commerce and State also have been involved on my behalf.

I also have taken the action of commencing an Arbitration pursuant to NAFTA Chapter 11. As a result of the commencement of proceedings under NAFTA, I have met with representatives of the Quebec and Canadian Governments in an attempt to resolve the dispute. I have made every reasonable attempt to resolve this issue with Quebec and they refuse to engage in any sort of good faith dialogue.

The Canadian Government has failed to seriously consider or discuss the improper actions that were taken against me and my company. In every instance in which the Governments of Canada and Quebec have been asked for specific reasons as to why my authorization of Commerce was revoked, they have refused to provide an answer. The reason for this refusal to respond is clear, there is no legal basis whatsoever for their actions. In my opinion, the reason is quite simple; it was a political decision and it was taken to protect the interests of a Quebec-based businesses.

The Governments of Canada and Quebec have refused to in good faith resolve this matter simply because they see me as a small business man without the resources to pursue justice through the costly NAFTA arbitration process. However, the fact that Canada's actions violate NAFTA is clear. Alarming, over 50% of all NAFTA claims over the past five years have been against Canada, and most have to do with rogue political decisions made by Provinces. Most recently, in August 2010, to resolve a NAFTA chapter 11 claim, Canada paid over \$120 million to a US based company Abitibi Bowater because its water and timbering rights were revoked and land expropriated by the Government of Newfoundland in violation of NAFTA.

I would respectfully ask that this Committee ask Minister Nathalie Normandeau from Quebec to provide specific and detailed answers as to why she made the decision to revoke my Authorizations of Commerce and thereby taking away my business, and why her Government

has refused to try in good faith to resolve this issue and compensate me for the business that was taken. Additionally, I would respectfully ask this Committee to ask Patrick Muzzi, Director of Quebec Trade Policy Division, to explain his letter to Commissioner Bald and the fact that no serious attempt was made to resolve this issue to the satisfaction of all parties as he stated to Commissioner Bald.

Finally, I note that if this unfair treatment can happen to me, it can happen to any businessperson in New Hampshire who makes an investment into Quebec or Canada. I would caution anyone who has invested in Quebec or Canada, or who is contemplating an investment to consider my experience.

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 11, 2011

The Honorable Peter Van Loan
Minister of International Trade
Foreign Affairs and International
Trade Canada
125 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, ON, Canada

The Honorable Lawrence Cannon
Minister of Foreign Affairs
Foreign Affairs and International
Trade Canada
125 Sussex Drive
Ottawa, ON, Canada

Dear Ministers Van Loan and Cannon:

We are writing to express our concern about a trade dispute between a New Hampshire constituent and the Government of Quebec and to request your assistance in settling this issue in a manner that is fair and consistent with Canada's obligations under the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA).

Mr. Bill Greiner, a New Hampshire resident and sole shareholder of the Quebec-based Malbaie River Outfitters, has filed a lawsuit against Canada under Chapter 11 of NAFTA.

Between 2002 and 2008, Mr. Greiner invested over \$1 million in Malbaie River Outfitters, which helps coordinate fishing trips throughout Quebec. Greiner, in order to comply with NAFTA rules, obtained authorization from the Canadian government to operate his business on Quebec rivers in 2003. In 2008, that authorization was unexpectedly revoked by the Quebec government and Mr. Greiner's business was subsequently destroyed. Mr. Greiner believes that this revocation was taken without legal authority or due process in an attempt to discriminate against his company.

Over the last two years, the New Hampshire Congressional delegation has made a number of inquiries on behalf of Mr. Greiner, and he has made multiple attempts to settle this issue with the Quebec Government in an amicable and just fashion. Due to an inadequate response, however, Mr. Greiner has filed a Chapter 11 lawsuit under NAFTA in order to recoup his lost investments.

We believe that a thriving and prosperous U.S.-Canada trade relationship is critical to economic growth on both sides of our border. As a close neighbor of Canada, New Hampshire has always had a deep and expansive economic relationship with businesses and individuals across the border.

The Honorable Peter Van Loan
The Honorable Lawrence Cannon
January 11, 2011
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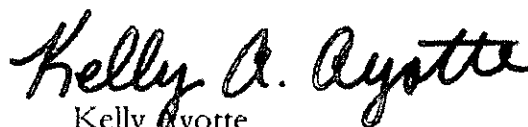
We are concerned that disputes like this one can adversely damage our trade relationship and undermine support for expanding trade between our two countries. Businesses on both sides of our border have an interest in resolving this dispute amicably to the satisfaction of all parties involved. We urge you and your government to assist in settling this matter quickly and in a way that is consistent with our bilateral trade obligations under NAFTA.

Thank you for your consideration.

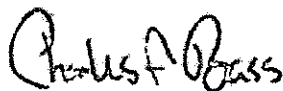
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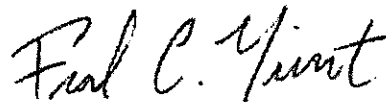
Jeanne Shaheen
United States Senator



Kelly Ayotte
United States Senator



Charles Bass
United States Representative



Frank Guinta
United States Representative

CC:

The Honorable Gary Doer, Ambassador of Canada to the United States
The Honorable Josee Verner, Minister of Intergovernmental Affairs
The Honorable Jean Charest, Premier, Government of Quebec
The Honorable Nathalie Normandeau, Deputy Premier, Government of Quebec

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Direction de la politique commerciale

Québec, le 11 mai 2010

Monsieur George M. Bald, Commissioner
Department of Resources and Economic Development
172, Pembroke Road, New Hampshire, 1856
ÉTATS-UNIS

Monsieur le Commissaire,

Je vous remercie de la lettre que vous adressiez à monsieur Jacques Gadbois le 19 mars dernier, en référence au dossier actuellement en cours sous l'Article 1118 de l'Accord de libre-échange nord-américain (ALENA) et impliquant Les Pourvoiries Malbaie inc., une entreprise appartenant à M. Bill Greiner.

En premier lieu, laissez-moi préciser que les démarches entreprises par M. Greiner se situent dans le cadre du chapitre 11 de l'ALENA. Conséquemment, bien que la mesure contestée par M. Greiner soit mise en place par le gouvernement du Québec, la résolution du différend implique la participation active du gouvernement fédéral du Canada de même qu'un travail étroit avec les deux ministères impliqués au Québec; soit le MDEIE et le ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune.

Vous mentionnez avec justesse que la rencontre la plus récente avec M. Greiner s'est tenue en décembre 2009. Depuis ce temps, les ministères québécois et fédéraux impliqués ont bonifié leur analyse du dossier à partir de cette rencontre et comptent poursuivre avec M. Greiner, ou ses représentants, les discussions vers une résolution à l'amiable dans ce dossier.

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Veillez recevoir, Monsieur Bald, ma reconnaissance pour l'intérêt que vous démontrez à la résolution de ce dossier. Tout comme vous, nous demeurons persuadés de l'importance des échanges entre le New Hampshire et le Québec. Soyez aussi assuré que le gouvernement du Québec porte la plus grande attention à ces discussions et aspire à une conclusion aussi rapide que satisfaisante pour toutes les parties en cause.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur le Commissaire, mes salutations distinguées.

Le directeur,


Patrick Muzzi

c. c. Madame France Dionne, délégué du Québec à Boston

Direction de la politique commerciale

Québec City, May 11, 2010

COURTESY TRANSLATION

Dear Mr. Bald:

Thank you for your letter of March 19 to Mr. Jacques Gadbois regarding the ongoing dispute pursuant to Article 1118 of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) and involving Malbaie River outfitters Inc., a company owned by Mr. Bill Greiner.

First I would note that the actions taken by Mr. Greiner do in fact fall under Chapter 11 of NAFTA. Consequently, although the measure Mr. Greiner is challenging was implemented by the Government of Québec, resolving the dispute requires the active participation of Canada's federal government as well as close cooperation between the two Québec ministries involved, i.e., MDEIE and Ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune.

You mention quite rightly that the most recent meeting with Mr. Greiner was in December 2009. Since that time the Québec and federal ministries concerned have further analyzed the situation in light of the meeting and intend to pursue discussions with Mr. Greiner or his representatives with the aim of reaching agreement on the matter.

Please accept my thanks for your interest in seeing this dispute resolved. Like you, we attach great importance to trade between the State of New Hampshire and the Province of Quebec. Rest assured that the Government of Québec is giving these discussions its utmost attention and hopes to conclude the matter not only quickly but also to the satisfaction of all parties involved.

Sincerely,

Patrick Muzzi
Director Trade Policy Division

cc Ms. France Dionne, Delegate, Québec Government Office in Boston

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RECOMMANDÉ

Le 22 mai 2008

Les Pourvoires Malbaie inc.
À l'attention de Monsieur William J. Greiner
12, Aspen Lane
Bedford (New Hampshire) 03110

Monsieur,

Pour faire suite à ma correspondance du 12 mai dernier et après analyse, la présente a pour but de vous faire part de la décision du ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune dans votre dossier.

Le ministère considère toujours inadmissibles les comportements non éthiques reprochés à votre entreprise à l'égard de la gestion de la pêche au saumon sur les rivières de Gaspé. C'est pourquoi, celui-ci révoque, en vertu de l'article 8 des dites autorisations, l'autorisation de commerce dans les secteurs 1 et 2 de la réserve faunique de la rivière Saint-Jean (signée en mai 2007) ainsi que celle relative aux zecs des rivières Darmouth et York (signée en octobre 2003). Cette décision, applicable immédiatement, a été prise pour des considérations économiques liées à la pêche au saumon en Gaspésie et dans l'objectif de maintenir un climat social acceptable pour tous les pêcheurs et gestionnaires de rivières à saumon de la péninsule gaspésienne.

Veillez agréer, Monsieur, mes salutations.

Le directeur,



René Lafond

RL/lc

c. c. M. Bernard Landry, Direction générale régionale - Caplan
M. François Dessurault, Direction de la protection de la faune - Sainte-Anne-des-Monts
Les Pourvoires de la Malbaie, 100, chemin Vauquelin, Barachois (Québec) G0C 1A0

Voting Sheets

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Amendments:

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Motions: OTP, OTP/A, ITL, Interim Study (Please circle one.)

Moved by Rep. Tamburello

Seconded by Rep. Cunningham

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.) 13-0

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Moved by Rep.

Seconded by Rep.

Vote: (Please attach record of roll call vote.)

CONSENT CALENDAR VOTE: 13-0

Vote to place on Consent Calendar must be unanimous.)

Statement of Intent: Refer to Committee Report

Respectfully submitted,

Rep. Kirsten L. Larsen, Clerk

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MEMBER	YEAS	NAYS
Baldasaro, Alfred P, Chairman	X	
Christiansen, Lars T		
Smith, Todd P	X	
Cunningham, Steven L	X	
Kingsbury, Robert P		
Larsen, Kirsten L	X	
Lundgren, David C	X	
McCarthy, Frank H	X	
Notter, Jeanine M	X	
Tamburello, Daniel J	X	
Vita, Lucien A	X	
Rokas, Theodoros V	X	
Domingo, Baldwin M		
Hofemann, Roland P		
Theberge, Robert L	X	
Spainhower, Dale S	X	
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TOTAL VOTE:	<u>13</u>	<u>0</u>

Committee Report

CONSENT CALENDAR

January 20, 2011

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The Committee on STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS to which was referred HR6,

AN ACT condemning the taking of a private business by a foreign government. Having considered the same, report the same with the recommendation that the bill OUGHT TO PASS.

Rep. Daniel J Tamburello

FOR THE COMMITTEE

COMMITTEE REPORT

Committee:	STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS
Bill Number:	HR6
Title:	condemning the taking of a private business by a foreign government.
Date:	January 20, 2011
Consent Calendar:	YES
Recommendation:	OUGHT TO PASS

STATEMENT OF INTENT

The passage of this bill would chastise the government of Canada for the illegal taking of a business held and operated by a New Hampshire and U.S. citizen, William Greiner. The governments of Quebec and Canada have committed this act in open violation of the NAFTA treaty.

Vote 13-0.

Rep. Daniel J Tamburello
FOR THE COMMITTEE

Original: House Clerk
Cc: Committee Bill File

CONSENT CALENDAR

STATE-FEDERAL RELATIONS AND VETERANS AFFAIRS

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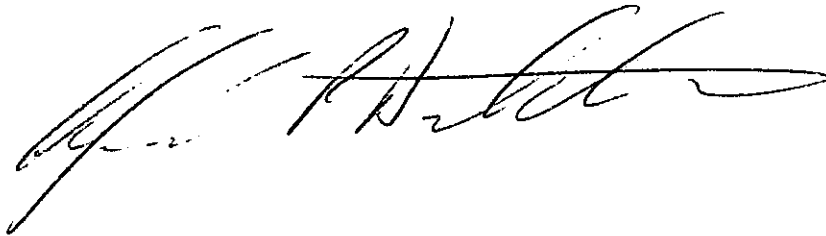
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COMMITTEE REPORT

Veterans Affairs

COMMITTEE: State-Federal Relations and ~~Federal AD~~

BILL NUMBER: HR 6

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DATE: 20 JAN 2011 CONSENT CALENDAR: YES NO

- OUGHT TO PASS
- OUGHT TO PASS W/ AMENDMENT
- INEXPEDIENT TO LEGISLATE
- INTERIM STUDY (Available only 2nd year of biennium)

Amendment No. _____

STATEMENT OF INTENT:

The passage of this bill would chastise the government of Canada for the ^{illegal} taking of a business held and operated by a NH and U.S. citizen, William Greiner. The governments of Quebec and Canada HAVE ^{COMMITTED} ~~DONE~~ THIS ^{ACT} IN OPEN VIOLATION OF THE NAFTA TREATY.

COMMITTEE VOTE: 13-0

- Copy to Committee Bill File
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RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED *[Signature]* chair

Rep. *[Signature]* For the Committee