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7 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

8 TO ENCOURAGE THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO REVIEW  
9 ISSUES RELATED TO DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MAKE CHANGES TO  
10 IMPROVE FEDERAL MILK MARKETING ORDERS IN ORDER TO  
11 BETTER SUPPORT DAIRY FARMERS.  
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22 WHEREAS, price discovery for milk should be improved through mandatory  
23 daily electronic reporting of most dairy products, including reporting and  
24 auditing of prices and inventories and high-value dairy products as well as  
25 prices paid for milk and milk components; and  
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27 WHEREAS, consideration should be given to including different dairy  
28 product specifications and dairy products sold under terms of a forward  
29 contract; and  
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31 WHEREAS, changes to the Federal Milk Marketing Order program should be  
32 made to reduce or eliminate negative producer price differentials and reduce  
33 the economic incentives to de-pool milk, including without limitation  
34 modifications to the Class I milk pricing formula, adjustments to pool  
35 qualification criteria, and stricter limitations on producer milk receipts in  
36 months following the de-pooling of milk; and



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2           WHEREAS, the dairy transportation credit should be eliminated by  
3 reducing the credit by twenty percent (20%) over the course of five (5)  
4 years; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the referendum approval threshold should be modified to  
7 require a two-thirds majority of the voting producers and two-thirds of the  
8 voting milk volume to amend or issue a Federal Milk Marketing Order; and  
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10           WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture should develop an  
11 improved method to determine the Class I Milk Mover Base Price, which is not  
12 reliant solely on manufacturing dairy products, to better reflect local  
13 market conditions, provide more appropriate economic incentives to fluid milk  
14 producers and processors, recognize the costs in servicing a fluid milk  
15 market, and continue to ensure fluid milk consumers have a quality and  
16 adequate supply of fresh fluid milk; and  
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18           WHEREAS, the pooling requirements under Federal Milk Marketing Orders  
19 should be changed so that shipping costs are allocated to the exporting area;  
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22           WHEREAS, only milk delivered on a specific milk marketing order should  
23 receive pooling benefits for that order,  
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25 NOW THEREFORE,

26 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-THIRD GENERAL  
27 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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29           THAT the House of Representatives encourage the United States Congress  
30 to review issues related to dairy products and make changes to improve  
31 Federal Milk Marketing Orders in order to better support dairy farmers  
32 throughout the country.  
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution, an appropriate  
35 copy be provided by the Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives to the  
36 United States Department of Agriculture, the majority leader of the United

1 States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and  
2 the members of the Arkansas congressional delegation.

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