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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act is
3 proposed legislation, currently pending before Congress, that
4 would allow any person with a valid state-issued concealed
5 firearm permit to carry a concealed firearm in any other state
6 that issues concealed firearm permits, or that does not
7 prohibit the carrying of concealed firearms for lawful
8 purposes; and

9 WHEREAS, The National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act
10 passed the United States House of Representatives in 2011 by a
11 vote of 272-154, and the bill has been reintroduced this year
12 in the United States Senate; and

13 WHEREAS, Interstate reciprocity will protect the right to
14 self-defense by providing law-abiding people with the ability
15 to protect themselves not only in their home states, but
16 anywhere they travel where concealed carry is legal; and

17 WHEREAS, The Attorneys General of 22 states and the
18 territory of Guam recently wrote a letter of support for the
19 National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act urging the United
20 States Senate to pass the bill; and

21 WHEREAS, Every state except Illinois currently either

1 issues concealed carry permits or otherwise authorizes
2 law-abiding people to carry firearms outside the home for
3 self-defense; and

4 WHEREAS, Those states that currently have laws recognizing
5 out-of-state concealed carry permits have found that people
6 carrying concealed handguns under those laws have done so
7 without any unusual problems; and

8 WHEREAS, Those states that currently have laws recognizing
9 out-of-state concealed carry permits have found that law
10 enforcement agencies have been able to authenticate
11 out-of-state permits promptly; and

12 WHEREAS, Despite the popular support in Illinois for
13 concealed carry and interstate reciprocity, and the
14 overwhelmingly positive experiences of other states that
15 currently recognize out-of-state concealed carry permits, the
16 Illinois Attorney General recently wrote a letter to the
17 Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States Senate
18 urging them and their caucuses to oppose passage of the
19 National Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 we urge Congress to enact the National Right-to-Carry

1 Reciprocity Act in order to help protect law-abiding people's
2 right to self-defense; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That we oppose the Attorney General's
4 unwarranted action in opposition to the National
5 Right-to-Carry Reciprocity Act; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
7 delivered to the Illinois Attorney General, to the House
8 Majority Leader and House Minority Leader of the United States
9 Senate, and to each member of the Illinois congressional
10 delegation.