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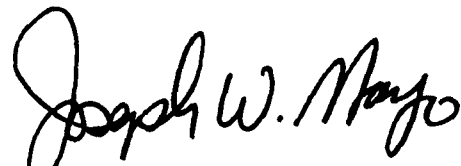
H.P. 1310

House of Representatives, February 20, 1996

Resolve, Directing the Land and Water Resources Council to Take Steps Needed to Ensure Successful Implementation of State Land Use Law Reforms.

Reported by Representative GOULD for the Land and Water Resources Council pursuant to Resolve 1995, chapter 21.

Reference to the Joint Standing Committee on Natural Resources suggested and printing ordered under Joint Rule 20.


JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

2 **Preamble. Whereas,** the 116th Legislature established the
Land and Water Resources Council, in part as a means to ensure
4 coordinated, efficient and effective implementation of state land
use and environmental laws; and

6 **Whereas,** by Resolve 1995, chapter 21, the 117th Legislature
directed the Land and Water Resources Council to develop
8 alternatives to the site location of development laws, which
protect the environment, and to improve the effectiveness and
10 efficiency of those laws; and

12 **Whereas,** in fulfilling its obligations under Resolve 1995,
chapter 21, the Land and Water Resources Council recognizes the
14 need to assess the impact of development sprawl on the fiscal
resources of municipal and state government and the State's
16 natural resources; now, therefore, be it

18 **Sec. 1. Cost of development. Resolved:** That the Land and Water
Resources Council shall conduct a review of state, regional and
20 municipal policies, programs and other activities that influence
the cost of development, redevelopment and related public
22 services and affect land use and development patterns. The Land
and Water Resources Council shall recommend measures, such as
24 impact fees, differential tax incentives and cumulative impact
criteria that will encourage development patterns that are more
26 compact and less costly to taxpayers; and be it further

28 **Sec. 2. Report to the Legislature. Resolved:** That the Land and
Water Resources Council shall report recommendations made
30 pursuant to section 1, including any proposed legislation, as
part of its January 1997 annual report.

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STATEMENT OF FACT

36 This resolve directs the Land and Water Resources Council to
assess current state, local and regional policies and programs
38 that influence the cost of development, redevelopment and related
public services and that affect land use and development
40 patterns. The Land and Water Resources Council shall report its
recommendations, including any proposed legislation, in its
42 January 1997 annual report.