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Introduced by: Senators LaPointe, Abdallah, Albers, Bogue, Brown, de Hueck, Duniphan, Earley, Greenfield, Ham, Jaspers, Kelly, Kleven, Knudson, Kooistra, Koskan, McCracken, Moore, Napoli, Olson (Ed), Schoenbeck, Sutton (Duane), and Vitter and Representatives Juhnke, Garnos, McCaulley, Teupel, and Valandra

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Petitioning the Secretary of the United States Department  
2 of Transportation to promulgate a regulation placing all of Jones, Mellette, and Todd  
3 Counties within the central standard time zone.

4 WHEREAS, Mellette and Todd Counties and the western portion of Jones County are  
5 currently located in the mountain standard time zone; and

6 WHEREAS, the vast majority of the residents of these counties observe central standard time  
7 instead of the mountain standard time because of their commercial and social ties to communities  
8 located in the central standard time zone; and

9 WHEREAS, there would be much less confusion and it would be much more convenient for  
10 the commerce of these counties if these counties were located in the central standard time zone:

11 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Seventy-eighth Legislature  
12 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the  
13 Secretary of the United States Department of Transportation review the present location of the  
14 time zone boundary through central South Dakota, pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 261, and give



1 serious consideration to revising federal regulations to place all of Jones County, Mellette  
2 County, and Todd County, South Dakota, within the central standard time zone; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of the Senate send copies of this  
4 Resolution to the United States Secretary of Transportation and to each member of the South  
5 Dakota Congressional Delegation.