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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

Introduced by: Senator Maher

1 A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION, Petitioning Congress and the United States Department of
2 Agriculture to halt payments to JBS.

3 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Agriculture will give five million dollars in
4 United States taxpayer funds to Brazilian-owned meatpacking corporation, JBS, under the
5 bailout program meant to help American farmers hurt by the trade war; and

6 WHEREAS, the twelve billion dollar program was created to buy surplus commodities from
7 farmers and ranchers to help them weather the effects of the long-running trade war with China;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, the Organization for Competitive Markets is also petitioning to urge Congress
10 to halt payments to JBS; and

11 WHEREAS, the bailout was an effort to help family farmers during the recent American
12 government shutdown, which has since ended:

13 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Ninety-Fourth Legislature
14 of the State of South Dakota, the House of Representatives concurring therein, that the United
15 States Congress and United States Department of Agriculture be urged to halt payments to the



1 foreign-owned meatpacking company, JBS.