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HOUSE RESOLUTION 07-1012

101 CONCERNING OPPOSITION TO THE SECURITY AND PROSPERITY  
102 PARTNERSHIP OF NORTH AMERICA, AND, IN CONNECTION  
103 THEREWITH, OPPOSING ANY TRILATERAL ACTIVITY IN  
104 CONJUNCTION WITH THE PARTNERSHIP THAT THREATENS THE  
105 SOVEREIGNTY OF THE UNITED STATES, CREATES A NORTH  
106 AMERICAN UNION, OR FURTHERS AN INTERNATIONAL  
107 SUPERHIGHWAY SYSTEM.

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1 WHEREAS, The Security and Prosperity Partnership of North  
2 America was launched in March of 2005 as a trilateral effort among the  
3 United States, Canada, and Mexico to share information and streamline  
4 traffic across shared borders; and

5 WHEREAS, In meeting Security and Prosperity Partnership  
6 initiatives, the security and prosperity working groups are examining  
7 opportunities to open the borders between the United States, Canada, and  
8 Mexico; and

Shading denotes HOUSE amendment. Double underlining denotes SENATE amendment.  
*Capital letters indicate new material to be added to existing statute.*  
*Dashes through the words indicate deletions from existing statute.*

1           WHEREAS, The gradual creation of such a North American  
2 Union from a merger of the United States, Mexico, and Canada would be  
3 a direct threat to the Constitution and national independence of the United  
4 States and imply an eventual end to national borders within North  
5 America; and

6           WHEREAS, According to the U.S. Department of Commerce,  
7 United States trade deficits with Mexico and Canada have significantly  
8 widened since the implementation of the North American Free Trade  
9 Agreement (NAFTA); and

10           WHEREAS, The economic and physical security of the United  
11 States is impaired by the potential loss of control of its borders attendant  
12 to the full operation of NAFTA; and

13           WHEREAS, A NAFTA Superhighway System from the west coast  
14 of Mexico through the United States and into Canada has been suggested  
15 as part of a North American Union and the broader plan to advance the  
16 Security and Prosperity Partnership; and

17           WHEREAS, It would be particularly difficult for Americans to  
18 collect insurance benefit payments due from Mexican companies that  
19 employ Mexican drivers involved in accidents in the United States, which  
20 would increase the insurance rates for American drivers; and

21           WHEREAS, Future unrestricted foreign trucking into the United  
22 States could pose a safety hazard due to inadequate maintenance and  
23 inspection and could act collaterally as a conduit for the entry into the  
24 United States of illegal drugs, illegal immigration, and terrorist activities;  
25 and

26           WHEREAS, A NAFTA Superhighway System would be funded  
27 by foreign consortiums and controlled by foreign management, an  
28 arrangement that threatens the sovereignty of the United States; and

29           WHEREAS, The Security and Prosperity Partnership aims to  
30 integrate United States laws with the laws of Mexico and Canada on a  
31 broad range of issues such as e-commerce, transportation, environment,  
32 health, agriculture, financial services, and national security, which may  
33 lead to negative changes in United States administrative laws; and

34           WHEREAS, State and local governments throughout the United  
35 States would be negatively impacted by the Security and Prosperity  
36 Partnership or a North American Union process, such as an open borders  
37 vision, eminent domain takings of private property along the potential  
38 superhighways, and increased law enforcement problems along such  
39 superhighways; and

40           WHEREAS, This trilateral partnership to develop a North  
41 American Union has never been presented to Congress as an agreement  
42 or treaty and has had virtually no congressional oversight; and

43           WHEREAS, United States policy, not foreign consortiums, should

1 be used to control our national borders and to ensure that national security  
2 is not compromised; now, therefore,

3 *Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth*  
4 *General Assembly of the State of Colorado:*

5 1. That we urge the President and the Congress of the United  
6 States, and particularly Colorado's Congressional Delegation, to withdraw  
7 the U.S. from any further participation in the Security and Prosperity  
8 Partnership; any efforts to implement a trinational political or  
9 governmental entity among the United States, Canada, and Mexico; or  
10 any other efforts used to accomplish any form of a North American  
11 Union;

12 2. That we also urge the President and the Congress not to engage  
13 in the construction of a North American Free Trade Agreement  
14 Superhighway System.

15 *Be It Further Resolved,* That copies of this Resolution be sent to  
16 Governor Bill Ritter, each member of Colorado's Congressional  
17 Delegation, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives,  
18 the President of the United States Senate, and George W. Bush, President  
19 of the United States.