

RESOLUTION No. 12—H. F. No. 1826

A concurrent resolution memorializing the President of the United States, the Congress of the United States, and the Secretary of Agriculture that it is the sense of the members of the Minnesota Legislature that the United States Department of Agriculture cause a reduction in the yardage fees and feed charges of at least 30 per cent of the present prices and that commission fees of commission firms operating in the terminal markets of the State of Minnesota be likewise reduced at least 15 per cent of the present charges.

WHEREAS, under present economic conditions and the prices paid for livestock in our terminal markets, the charges for yardage and feed by those controlling such service and commodities, are not only greatly in excess of the services and facilities furnished and commodities sold therefor, but are equally in excess of the value of such service and the cost of such commodities, and

WHEREAS, due to such economic conditions and the prices of livestock, the commission fees of the commission firms operating in the terminal markets in this state are likewise exorbitant, unreasonable and in excess of the value thereof and constitute a serious and unreasonable burden on the producer of livestock, and

WHEREAS, it is our opinion that the yardage fees and also feed charges in the terminal markets in this state should be reduced at least 30 per cent of the present amount and the commission fees of the commission firms operating in such terminal markets should likewise be reduced at least 15 per cent of the present charges.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring, that the United States Department of Agriculture and the Secretary thereof, be hereby petitioned to forthwith cause a reduction in the yardage fees and feed charges of at least 30 per cent of present prices and that the commission fees of commission firms operating in the terminal markets in this state be likewise reduced at least 15 per cent of the present charges.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the State of Minnesota be and he is hereby instructed to transmit certified copies of this Resolution to the President of the United States, to the Secretary of Agriculture, to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives, and to each member thereof of the State of Minnesota.

Approved April 5, 1933.