

Senate Joint Resolution No. 18

Adopted in Senate July 3, 1997

Secretary of the Senate

Adopted in Assembly July 17, 1997

Chief Clerk of the Assembly

This resolution was received by the Secretary of
State this ____ day of _____, 1997,
at ____ o'clock __M.

Deputy Secretary of State



RESOLUTION CHAPTER _____

Senate Joint Resolution No. 18—Relative to freight transportation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SJR 18, Karnette. Freight transportation.

This measure would memorialize the President and the Congress to make the intensity of use, as specified, a factor in the distribution of funds in the reauthorization of the federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act.

WHEREAS, The Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) authorized the United States Department of Transportation to spend \$155,000,000,000 to improve the nation's surface transportation system over a five-year period ending in fiscal year 1997; and

WHEREAS, The primary focus of ISTEA was highway construction and improvements, and the interstate highway system is now largely completed; and

WHEREAS, Proposals for reauthorization of ISTEA are being considered by the United States Senate and House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, It is imperative that the federal government's role in transportation funding place a high priority on providing funding for the heavy infrastructure needed to advance the nation's competitiveness in accommodating the growing international trade shipped through the nation's ports, airports, and border crossings; and

WHEREAS, The economic future of California and the nation depends on our capability to move people and goods through our communities without impeding intrastate movement of people and goods; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate and Assembly of the State of California, jointly, That the State of California finds that efficient, cost-effective, and nondisruptive freight



transportation is essential to the economy of the United States and congestion relief is essential to its citizens; and be it further

Resolved, That the Legislature memorializes the President and the Congress of the United States to make the intensity of use, including population, vehicle travel miles, and freight movement, a factor in the distribution of funds in the reauthorization of the federal Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of this resolution to the President and Vice President of the United States, to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and to each Senator and Representative from California in the Congress of the United States.



Attest:

Secretary of State

