

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 2nd Session of the 51st Legislature (2008)

3 SENATE CONCURRENT  
4 RESOLUTION 64

By: Corn of the Senate

5 and

6 Brannon and Smithson of the  
7 House

8 AS INTRODUCED

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10 A Concurrent Resolution requesting the President of  
11 the United States open the Strategic Petroleum  
12 Reserve for increased sales and to formulate a  
13 national energy policy; requesting the Congress to  
14 investigate the profits of energy industries; and  
15 directing distribution.

16 WHEREAS, the recent independent truckers strike protesting the  
17 high cost of fuel is indicative of the high cost of energy to not  
18 only the transportation sector but also the rest of the nation; and

19 WHEREAS, the Strategic Petroleum Reserve (SPR) is a supply of  
20 emergency crude oil owned by the federal government. Decisions to  
21 withdraw crude oil from the SPR are made by the President under the  
22 authorization of the Energy Policy and Conservation Act; and

23 WHEREAS, although there are many rules, regulations, and  
24 proposed procedures, there is no comprehensive national energy  
policy in the United States that involves all of the major stake  
holders. At a time when energy supplies abroad are unsecured and

1 uncertain and when our present configuration of polices at home  
2 appears to be uncoordinated and in chaos, it would appear that now  
3 is the time for the nation to adopt a policy that will guarantee  
4 adequate amounts of available energy at minimum cost to both the  
5 consumer and the environment; and

6 WHEREAS, although the United States Senate recently held  
7 hearings on the profitability of the oil industry, a complete and  
8 comprehensive investigation into the profitability of the entire  
9 energy industry would seem to be appropriate at this time.

10 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE 2ND SESSION  
11 OF THE 51ST OKLAHOMA LEGISLATURE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
12 CONCURRING THEREIN:

13 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature requests that the President  
14 of the United States open the Strategic Petroleum Reserve for  
15 increased sales and to formulate a national energy policy that will  
16 protect the national security of this nation and insure economic  
17 stability in this nation.

18 THAT the Oklahoma State Legislature requests the United States  
19 Congress to immediately begin an investigation on the level of  
20 profits of energy industries supplying this nation.

21 THAT a copy of this resolution be distributed to the President  
22 of the United States, the Secretary of the United States Department  
23 of Energy, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives

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1 and the Majority Leader of the United States Senate.

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