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SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1623

As Recommended by Senate Committee of the Whole

Brief*

SCR 1623 makes findings regarding Russia’s full-scale invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022, its ramifications on the world, energy leadership and stability, energy independence and security, government regulations, and the stoppage of importing oil, gas, and biofuels from Russia.

The resolution urges President Biden to:

● Consider current geopolitical tensions;

● Support policies that take measures to ensure America’s long-term energy affordability, security, leadership, and progress, including actions that continue the operation of existing oil and natural gas pipelines and the construction of new pipelines, including the Keystone pipeline;

● Stop importing oil and natural gas from Russia and restore energy independence in the United States;

● Reevaluate energy policies that have curtailed domestic production of oil and natural gas; and

● Utilize the nation’s abundant natural resources and relationships with energy-producing allies as leverage against a Russian regime that is intent on

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disrupting world peace and threatening global stability.

The resolution requires the Secretary of State to send an enrolled copy of the resolution to President Biden and three enrolled copies to Senators Billinger and Fagg.

Background


The resolution was referred to the Senate Committee of the Whole on March 10, 2022, appeared on General Orders in the Senate, and was adopted on March 14, 2022.