



RESOLUTION

To Oppose the Trans-Pacific Partnership and Fast-Track Trade Promotion Authority

KC-1416-029

Preamble

Whereas, Jeff Sessions (R-AL) chairman of the Senate Judiciary committee's subcommittee on Immigration and the National Interest, is calling for an immediate destruction of the 5,554 page Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP) trans-global trade deal; and

Whereas, The TPP will result in a consolidation of power in the executive branch; and

Whereas, The Fast-Track, or so called Trade Promotion Authority (TPA), was adopted in June 2015; Congress cannot amend, filibuster, or subject it to the two-thirds treaty vote; and

Whereas, The Trade Promotion Authority deal, which sets up the TPP, eliminates the ability of Congress to amend or debate trade implementation and guarantees an up or down vote on a far reaching international agreement before that agreement has received any public review; and

Whereas, Passing the TPP through Congress would result in increased trade deficits; and

Whereas, Sessions "critical alert" document lays out how passing TPA, and then TPP, means the United States is effectively "ceding sovereign authority to international powers"; and

Whereas, The U.S. Trade Representative and the Congressional Budget Office lays out the so-called "living agreement" inside the TPP deal meaning that the deal could be changed by other countries and the president without congressional approval; and

Whereas, The TPA and the TPP do not address currency manipulation at all; and

Whereas, There are concerns that the TPA deal could facilitate an increase in immigration levels above that allowed by current law and leaves Congress powerless to stop it; and

Whereas, The plain language of TPA provides avenues for the Administration and its trading partners to facilitate the expanded movement of foreign workers into the U.S., including visitor visas that are used as worker visas; and

Whereas, Our leaders need to take the TPP off the Fast-Track; therefore, be it

Main Motion

Resolved, That the Kootenai County Republican Central Committee calls upon Idaho U.S. Senators, Mike Crapo and Jim Risch to vote against the Trans-Pacific Partnership deal, and to support the repeal of the Fast-Track Trade Promotion Authority.

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