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Expressing the sense of Congress that the President should open a dialog with the Government of Canada to discuss the smuggling from Canada into the United States of large quantities of pseudoephedrine, a necessary ingredient in the production of methamphetamines.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 6, 2002

Mr. RADANOVICH (for himself, Mr. BAIRD, Mr. CALVERT, Mr. BOSWELL, and Mr. CANNON) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on International Relations

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Expressing the sense of Congress that the President should open a dialog with the Government of Canada to discuss the smuggling from Canada into the United States of large quantities of pseudoephedrine, a necessary ingredient in the production of methamphetamines.

Whereas pseudoephedrine is the active ingredient in many over-the-counter cold medicines;

Whereas pseudoephedrine is also a necessary ingredient in the production of methamphetamines;

Whereas the production and use of methamphetamines is a serious problem in the United States;

Whereas large quantities of pseudoephedrine are necessary to produce large quantities of methamphetamine;

Whereas the Federal Government and the private sector have cooperatively ensured that pseudoephedrine sold in the United States is packaged in blister packs or in bottles containing 24 or fewer grams of pseudoephedrine;

Whereas Canadian manufacturers produce pseudoephedrine in bottles containing as many as 1,920 grams of pseudoephedrine;

Whereas in recent years Federal narcotics investigators have found pseudoephedrine from Canada in methamphetamine labs in the United States with increasing frequency and in larger quantities;

Whereas from 1994 to 2000 the importation of pseudoephedrine powder to Canada increased by 817 percent; and

Whereas large quantities of pseudoephedrine from Canada are being smuggled into the United States to be used in the production of methamphetamines: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate*
 2 *concurring)*, That it is the sense of Congress that the
 3 President should open a dialog with the Government of
 4 Canada to discuss—

5 (1) the smuggling from Canada into the United
 6 States of large quantities of pseudoephedrine, a nec-
 7 essary ingredient in the production of
 8 methamphetamines; and

- 1 (2) methods to restrict the quantity of
- 2 pseudoephedrine that Canadian manufacturers can
- 3 package in a single container.

