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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 8

*Honoring NCSL's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

### SPONSOR STATEMENT

In 1974, three organizations represented the interests of legislators and staff, but their influence was diluted. So seven inventive legislative leaders and two staffers got together and envisioned a single national organization to support, defend and strengthen state legislatures. The three organizations dissolved, and on Jan. 1, 1975, the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) was born.

NCSL represents America's legislatures, in each state, territory and commonwealth of the United States. Its mission is to advance the effectiveness, independence and integrity of legislatures and to foster interstate cooperation and facilitate the exchange of information among legislatures.

NCSL also represents legislatures in dealing with the federal government, especially in support of state sovereignty and state flexibility and protection from unfunded federal mandates and unwarranted federal preemption. The conference promotes cooperation between state legislatures in the U.S. and those in other countries.

NCSL is committed to improving the operations and management of state legislatures, and the effectiveness of legislators and legislative staff, encouraging the practice of high standards of conduct by legislators and legislative staff.

Every state legislator and staffer is a member of the organization and has complete access to the latest in bipartisan policy research, training resources and technical assistance tailored specifically to their needs. NCSL offers members a variety of opportunities to connect and collaborate, notably at its signature event, the NCSL Legislative Summit, occurring this year August 5-7, 2024 in Louisville, KY.

May the Alaska Legislature please join in recognizing the NCSL for its 50 years of outstanding service.