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HJR 23: "Relating to US Customs Service Offices on the West Coast"

Urges the US Customs Service to maintain its current uniform jurisdiction over all west coast ports, and also to increase the number of customs inspectors to expedite trade thru west coast ports.

Discussions are being held on a federal level to separate Alaska, Washington, and Oregon into a jurisdiction headquartered in Chicago Illinois, and there is a concern that the proposed separation would be interruptive to uniform customs operations and detrimental to international trade activities.

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COAST"

CURRENTLY, DISCUSSIONS ARE BEING HELD AT THE FEDERAL LEVEL TO  
SEPARATE ALASKA, WASHINGTON, AND OREGON INTO THE JURISDICTION  
OF A CUSTOMS OFFICE HEADQUARTERED IN CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

THIS RESOLUTION URGES THE U.S. CUSTOMS SERVICE TO MAINTAIN ITS  
CURRENT UNIFORM JURISDICTION OVER ALL WEST COAST PORTS, AND TO  
INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CUSTOMS INSPECTORS TO EXPEDITE TRADE THRU  
WEST COAST PORTS.

Chairman's Information:

- 1) HJR 23: "Relating to US Customs Service Offices on the West Coast"
  - a) Introduced: Rep Martin
  - b) Co-Sponsors:
- 2) INTENT: This resolution urges the US Customs Service to maintain its current uniform jurisdiction over all west coast ports, and to increase the number of customs inspectors to expedite trade through west coast ports.

FISCAL NOTE: none  
NOTE:

- 3) ADDITIONAL REFERRALS: Rules
- 4) PUBLIC HEARINGS:
  - a) Sponsor:
  - b) Public witnesses:
- 5) BILL ACTION:
  - a) Hold in committee?
  - b) Assign to sub committee for further review?
  - c) Move from Committee?
  - d) close public hearings?
- 6) COMMITTEE ACTION:
  - a) amendments?
  - b) CS adoption?