SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 100

Senator Brinks offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to recognize and commend the National Conference 2 of State Legislatures (NCSL) on its upcoming 50th Anniversary. 3 Whereas, The National Conference of State Legislatures was founded in 1975 and has evolved during the past half-century to 4 become the premier organization solely dedicated to serving state 6 and territorial legislators and legislative staff; and 7 Whereas, It was created from the merger of three organizations 8 that served or represented state legislatures and shared the belief 9 that legislative service is one of democracy's worthiest pursuits; 10 and Whereas, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with three 11 12 objectives: to advance the effectiveness, independence, and

- 1 integrity of state legislatures; to foster interstate communication
- 2 and cooperation; and to ensure states a strong, cohesive voice in
- 3 the federal system; and
- 4 Whereas, Our nation's state legislatures are America's
- 5 laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they are
- 6 the bodies to tackle emerging challenges. State legislatures are
- 7 where people from very different backgrounds, representing very
- 8 different communities, can come together and find common ground,
- 9 and NCSL has helped facilitate this exchange of ideas, provided
- 10 critical research and information, and encouraged a rigorous review
- 11 of complex issues confronting our communities, states, and nation;
- **12** and
- 13 Whereas, NCSL strives to strengthen the bonds between
- 14 America's state legislatures and the international community; now,
- 15 therefore, be it
- 16 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 17 body recognize and commend the National Conference of State
- 18 Legislatures (NCSL) on its upcoming 50th Anniversary. We also take
- 19 this time to honor NCSL for their superb leadership and commitment
- 20 to the legislative institution; and be it further
- 21 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the
- 22 National Conference of State Legislatures as evidence of our
- 23 highest esteem.