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1 A Senate Joint Resolution concerning

2 **Consumer Protection - Payday Loan Prohibition**

3 FOR the purpose of urging the Maryland Congressional Delegation to support
4 legislation that would prohibit an insured depository institution from making
5 payday loans either directly or through an agent or affiliate.

6 WHEREAS, A need has arisen to protect consumers of payday loans from fraud,
7 abuse, unfair practices, usurious rates of interest, and exorbitant fees; and

8 WHEREAS, The activities of payday lenders may undermine consumer
9 confidence in the financial services industry and Maryland's economy in general; and

10 WHEREAS, The nature of payday lending using insured depository institutions
11 has a substantial effect on interstate commerce and therefore is a proper subject of
12 federal jurisdiction; now, therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the
14 General Assembly of Maryland urges the Maryland Congressional Delegation to enact
15 a law that would prohibit an insured depository institution from making a payday
16 loan either directly or through an agent or affiliate; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
18 Legislative Services to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Paul S.
19 Sarbanes and Barbara A. Mikulski, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510;
20 and Representatives Wayne T. Gilchrest, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Benjamin L. Cardin,
21 Albert R. Wynn, Steny Hamilton Hoyer, Roscoe G. Bartlett, Elijah E. Cummings, and
22 Constance A. Morella, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.