

RESOLUTION 98-7

Labeling Meat to Identifying Country of Origin

Introduced by the Trade and Transportation Committee

WHEREAS, E-coli contamination has become a problem in the United States' food supply; and

WHEREAS, the country or countries in which an animal is raised before slaughter is not now identifiable to the United States consumer and the source of the imported carcass or any part thereof, or meat is not accompanied by country of origin labeling;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that CSG-WEST (Council of State Governments-WEST, Serving Western Legislatures) encourages the U. S. Congress to amend the *Federal Meat Inspection Act* to require that imported meat, and meat food products containing imported meat, bear a label identifying the country of origin.

ADOPTED BY THE CSG-WEST EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON SEPTEMBER 22, 1998 ASSEMBLED IN ANNUAL MEETING IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA