11. URGING CONGRESS TO OVERRIDE THE PRESIDENTIAL VETO OF THE TEXTILE AND APPAREL TRADE ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 1985

Background

Over 300,000 jobs have been lost in the textile/apparel industry during the past five years. Record trade deficits, last year exceeding 150 billion dollars, are destroying the United States' manufacturing sector. Unfair foreign competition and unenforced international trade agreements are closing American businesses and will eventually lower the United States' standard of living.

Recommendation

The Southern Legislative Conference urges the Congress to override the Presidential veto of the Textile and Apparel Trade Enforcement Act of 1985 and thereby establish fair trade as United States' government policy.

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