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**HOUSE
RESOLUTION No. _____**

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION Urging the Legislative Council to Establish a Study Committee to Study the Issue of Non-Collection of State Sales and Use Taxes by the United States Postal Service, and to Estimate the Resulting Loss of Revenue to the State.

Whereas, The citizens of the State of Indiana, as residents of the "Crossroads of America," have a strong economic interest in efficient and economical interstate commerce;

Whereas, The citizens of Indiana should have the ability to choose from among a competitive variety of methods and vendors for shipping and receiving goods aside from universal mail delivery;

Whereas, Shipping and transporting goods by land, air and water is a quickly growing business sector, particularly in Indiana;



Whereas, The United States Postal Service has in recent years expanded its activities beyond its core mission of universal mail service to include non-postal related business products and services in direct competition with Indiana private-sector enterprises;

Whereas, Private enterprise pays taxes and fees in engaging in some services and offering some products with which the Postal Service now competes while, at the same time, the Postal Service enjoys exemption from those taxes and fees; and

Whereas, These exemptions enjoyed by the United States Postal Service deprive Indiana state government of needed revenue; THEREFORE,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the
General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. That the Legislative Council is urged to establish a study committee to study the issue of non-collection of state sales and use taxes by the United States Postal Service, and to estimate the resulting loss of revenue to the state.

