

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45

103RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE HARBISON.

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JOSEPH ENGLER, Chief Clerk

2           **WHEREAS**, in 1976, Congress passed legislation creating "Payment in Lieu of  
3 Taxes" (PILT), which sends federal payments to local governments to help offset lost property  
4 taxes; and

5           **WHEREAS**, more than 1.7 million acres of land in Missouri is owned by the federal  
6 government; and

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8           **WHEREAS**, the four counties in Missouri receiving the most PILT payments in 2022  
9 were Wayne, Shannon, Reynolds, Oregon, and Taney; and

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11           **WHEREAS**, three of those five counties are in the top ten poorest counties in the  
12 state; and

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14           **WHEREAS**, PILT payments should be adjusted in a manner to better serve Missouri's  
15 poorest counties who have a larger share of federal land:

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17           **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
18 Representatives of the One Hundred Third General Assembly, Second Regular Session, the  
19 Senate concurring therein, hereby urge the federal government to issue PILT payments  
20 equivalent to the tax assessment on the land if the land were assessed as level 7 agricultural  
21 land when the 16% of the residents of the county are at or below the federal poverty level; and

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23           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
24 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the  
25 members of the Missouri congressional delegation.

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