## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.331

Reps. Tate and Aiyash offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare December 16-20, 2024, as NCSL Week in 2 the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, The National Conference of State Legislatures was 4 founded in 1975 and will celebrate its 50th anniversary in 2025. NCSL has evolved during the past half-century to become the premier 6 organization solely dedicated to serving state and territorial 7 legislators and legislative staff; and 8 Whereas, It was created from the merger of three organizations 9 that served or represented state legislatures and that shared the belief that legislative service is one of democracy's worthiest 10 pursuits; and 11 12 Whereas, NCSL is a bipartisan organization with three

objectives: to advance the effectiveness, independence, and 1 integrity of state legislatures; to foster interstate communication 2 and cooperation; and to ensure states a strong, cohesive voice in 3 the federal system; and 4 5 Whereas, Our nation's state legislatures are America's 6 laboratories of democracy and have continually shown that they are 7 the bodies to tackle emerging challenges, and state legislatures 8 are where people from very different backgrounds, representing very 9 different communities, can come together and find common ground, 10 and NCSL has facilitated the exchange of ideas, provided critical 11 research and information, and encouraged a rigorous review of complex issues confronting our communities, states, and nation, and 12 NCSL strives to strengthen the bonds between America's state 13 14 legislatures and the international community; now, therefore, be it 15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 16 this legislative body declare December 16-20, 2024, as NCSL Week in

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the state of Michigan.