

R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, William T. Pound is retiring as executive director
2 of the National Conference of State Legislatures by August 2019,
3 concluding a noteworthy career with the organization that has
4 spanned more than four decades; and

5 WHEREAS, Employed by NCSL since its founding in 1975,
6 Mr. Pound has been instrumental in the development of many of its
7 innovative programs and services; he was named executive director
8 in 1987, and while leading the organization, he has written
9 extensively on legislatures, the legislative process, and fiscal
10 and public finance issues; over the years, he has been much in
11 demand at the national and international levels as a speaker on such
12 topics as legislatures, public policy, and federalism; and

13 WHEREAS, Mr. Pound has worked tirelessly to expand the reach
14 of NCSL, which supports and educates state policy makers and their
15 staffs; with a deep understanding of the critical role of state
16 legislative institutions, he has guided the development of a
17 comprehensive approach encompassing annual meetings and training
18 sessions, research services, and extensive efforts to strengthen
19 the voice of state legislatures in the federal system; and

20 WHEREAS, A graduate of the University of Denver, Mr. Pound
21 earned his bachelor's degree in political science; he went on to
22 complete a U.S. Department of the Interior fellowship with the
23 Special Program, Water Resources Management, at the University of
24 Wisconsin; in addition, he taught at his alma mater, as well as at

1 the University of Colorado and Colorado State University; and

2 WHEREAS, William Pound has greatly benefited the legislative
3 community through his vision, leadership, and steadfast dedication
4 to the important mission of NCSL, and as he prepares to embark on
5 the next exciting chapter of his life, he may indeed reflect with
6 pride on a career well spent; now, therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 86th Texas
8 Legislature hereby congratulate William T. Pound on his retirement
9 as executive director of the National Conference of State
10 Legislatures and extend to him sincere best wishes for the future;
11 and, be it further

12 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
13 prepared for Mr. Pound as an expression of high regard by the Texas
14 House of Representatives.

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H.R. No. 1246

Speaker of the House

I certify that H.R. No. 1246 was adopted by the House on April 26, 2019, by a non-record vote.

Chief Clerk of the House