

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

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**Referred: House Special Committee on Energy, Resources**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Requesting the governor to provide energy security for all Alaskans by working on**  
**2 significant elements and components to support the timely construction of a natural gas**  
**3 bullet pipeline from the North Slope to the Cook Inlet region and to take necessary**  
**4 action to assist and facilitate the process for a private entity to make a final investment**  
**5 decision to commit to the pipeline before November 1, 2010.**

**6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

**7 WHEREAS** natural gas production in the Cook Inlet region of the state has suffered  
**8 significant decline, resulting in the closure of the Agrium U.S., Inc., facility in Kenai and the**  
**9 risk of inadequate supplies of natural gas to consumers that rely on production from the Cook**  
**10 Inlet region; and**

**11 WHEREAS** there are significant quantities of natural gas on the North Slope that  
**12 could be produced if the means for delivering the product to market were available; and**

**13 WHEREAS** the major gas pipeline project licensed by the state under AS 43.90  
**14 (Alaska Gasline Inducement Act) or a similar alternative project that offers five delivery**  
**15 natural gas delivery points in the state is not expected to transport natural gas from the North**

1 Slope until after 2016; and

2       **WHEREAS** the people of the state need access to natural gas now and cannot wait for  
3 the completion of the major gas pipeline project from the North Slope; and

4       **WHEREAS** the demand for natural gas within the state is expected to increase  
5 steadily; and

6       **WHEREAS** the construction of a smaller gas pipeline, sometimes referred to as a  
7 "bullet line," may be constructed and be capable of delivering the state's natural gas to in-state  
8 markets before the major gas pipeline project from the North Slope is operational; and

9       **WHEREAS** all reasonable action necessary should be taken to construct an in-state  
10 natural gas bullet pipeline sooner rather than later;

11       **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature requests the governor to  
12 provide energy security for all Alaskans by working on significant elements and components  
13 to support the timely construction of a natural gas bullet pipeline from the North Slope to the  
14 Cook Inlet region and to take necessary action to assist and facilitate the process for a private  
15 entity to make a final investment decision to commit to the pipeline before November 1, 2010.