



Explanation of Changes in CSHCR1(CRA)

CS for House Concurrent Resolution 1 Increasing State Collaboration and Partnership with Alaska Native Tribes

The committee substitute for HCR 1 removes “resolves” relating to a proclamation of tribal sovereignty, inherent criminal jurisdiction within Alaska Native Villages, transfer of land into trust, and the negotiation of tribal geographical jurisdictions.

Revised “resolves” in the CS urge Governor Walker to establish clear and consistent policies across state agencies for increased collaboration and partnership with tribes and encourage the governor to negotiate agreements with Alaska Native tribes that increase their authority, responsibility, and capacity to enforce laws and deliver justice at the local level.

Technically, the changes are as follows:

Page 3, Line 10 through 13:

All material was deleted and replaced with “BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges the Governor to establish clear and consistent policies across all state agencies for increased collaboration and partnership with Alaska tribal governments; and be it FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature encourages the Governor to negotiate intergovernmental agreements—including civil diversion agreements—with Alaska tribes to increase their authority, responsibility, and capacity for the enforcement of certain state laws and the delivery of justice at the local level; and be it”

Page 2, Line 17 through 29:

All material was deleted and replaced with “WHEREAS each of those bodies concluded that the current law enforcement and justice systems alone have been unable to address and reduce crime, social ills, and community distress adequately in rural Alaska; and”

Page 3, Line 6 through 9:

All material was deleted and replaced with “WHEREAS, in matters of jurisdiction and the delivery of justice at the local level, having the state and Alaska Native tribes work together in an improved relationship will benefit communities throughout Alaska; and WHEREAS clarifications in state policy will allow Alaska Native tribes the jurisdictional tools to make their communities safer and healthier;”

Page 3, Lines 17 through 28:

All material was deleted.

The title of the resolution was amended accordingly.