



ALASKA POWER ASSOCIATION

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A Resolution Urging the Legislature to Support Legislation to Address Metals Theft (14-11)

The theft of metals and subsequent sale as scrap is a growing problem across the nation and for Alaska utilities and contractors. These metal thefts result in power outages, lost productivity and needless expenses to all electrical customers. Further, the theft of ground wires creates dangerous conditions for workers and the public.

Many states have enacted laws to allow legal scrap metal recycling while minimizing metal theft by requiring identification of all customers, trackable payments, and between two and seven years of recordkeeping of all businesses purchasing scrap metal.

Alaska Power Association urges the Alaska State Legislature to support legislation to address metals theft.

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A Resolution in Support of Legislation to Address Metals Theft

The theft of metals and subsequent sale as scrap is a growing problem across the nation and for Alaskan utilities and contractors. These metal thefts result in higher costs to customers, lost productivity and can create dangerous conditions for employees and the public.

Many states have enacted laws to permit scrap metal recycling while reducing metal theft by requiring identification of customers, making payments trackable, and requiring record-keeping by all businesses purchasing scrap metal.

The Alaska Telephone Association encourages the Alaska State Legislature to pass legislation to address metals theft.

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