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Summary of Changes to HJR 8 Version H

- Change in title to urge exemption for Alaska to the Clean Power Plan
- Added several “Whereas” clauses:
 - Page 1, Lines 7-8: “WHEREAS the Environment Protection Agency has proposed rules establishing carbon emissions goals for existing electrical power generators; and”
 - Page 1, Line 12 – Page 2 Line 1: “WHEREAS the state has joined with other states in asserting that the Clean Power Plan is unlawful and, in comprehensive comments, has asked to be exempt; and
 - WHEREAS states must outline measures for meeting Clean Power Plan goals in state plans that will be federally enforceable by the Environmental Protection Agency and through citizen suits; and
 - WHEREAS application of the goals of the Clean Power Plan to the state is fundamentally flawed because the goals rely on the interconnection with the North American grid to which the state is not connected; and”
 - Page 2, Lines 17-22: “WHEREAS renewable energy and energy efficiency measures have been implemented at significant cost to the state, but will not be credited to Alaska’s carbon goal of the state; and
 - WHEREAS the Clean Power Plan will require the premature retirement of Healy Unit 1 coal plant, underutilization or premature retirement of the Healy Unit 2 coal plant, and significant new investment in renewable energy and energy efficiency; and”
- Change in “Be It Resolved” language to include exemption for Alaska to the Clean Power Plan
- Added two EPA officials to the distribution list: Gina McCarthy, Administrator of the EPA and Janet McCabe EPA, Acting Assistant Administrator for the Office of Air and Radiation