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AMENDMENT

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OFFERED IN THE HOUSE

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCCABE

TO: HJR 35

1 Page 1, line 1, following "of":

2 Insert "the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension and"

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4 Page 2, line 10, following "of":

5 Insert "Port MacKenzie,"

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7 Page 2, line 12:

8 Delete "to Delta Junction and Fort Greely"

9 Insert "from Port MacKenzie to Houston, Delta Junction, and Fort Greely"

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11 Page 2, line 17, following "Greely;":

12 Insert "and"

13 **WHEREAS** the Matanuska-Susitna Borough and the Alaska Railroad have already
14 completed nearly two-thirds of the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension, which brings Port
15 MacKenzie within 33 miles of the Alaska Railroad rail line, which is in Houston and extends
16 on to Fairbanks and the Northern Rail Extension project; and

17 **WHEREAS** the completion of the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension will reduce energy
18 and transportation costs, improve air quality, increase the efficiency of shipping bulk
19 commodities and materials to and from Interior Alaska, and provide direct rail access for
20 shipments of liquefied natural gas from Cook Inlet to Fairbanks, North Pole, and beyond; and

21 **WHEREAS** the completion of the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension will increase the
22 available supply of natural gas and reduce energy costs for industry and residential customers
23 in many Interior Alaska communities; with increased natural gas supply, that region will

1 realize additional opportunities for natural gas conversion, which will aid in achieving air
2 quality attainment;"

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4 Page 2, line 18, following "of":

5 Insert "the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension and"

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7 Page 2, line 22:

8 Delete "region"

9 Insert "Arctic"

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11 Page 2, line 25, following "of":

12 Insert "the Port MacKenzie Rail Extension and"

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14 Page 2, line 27:

15 Delete "region"

16 Insert "state"

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18 Page 3, line 4:

19 Delete "Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative"

20 Insert "U.S. Representative for Alaska"