

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 44

Relating to federal support for the Skagway-Carcross Road.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, Second Session Assembled:

WHEREAS a road connection between the ports of Southeastern Alaska and the interior of Canada is a goal jointly shared by the federal government and the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS the Skagway-Carcross route now partially constructed by the state offers the shortest route of the lowest elevation and the least precipitation from an Alaska port to interior Canada and a connection with the Alaska Highway; and

WHEREAS Skagway is the Alaska port with a connection with the Alaska High-

way which handles the most freight for interior Canada; and

WHEREAS the timely completion of the construction of the Skagway-Carcross Road would inure to the benefit of Alaska and the Nation for both defense and economic purposes;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that, on his forthcoming trip to Washington, D. C., to confer on highway matters, the Honorable Richard A. Downing, Commissioner of Public Works, in consultation with the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress, request the Bureau of Public Roads to consider participation in the further construction and completion of the Skagway-Carcross Road as soon as possible.

Passed by the House February 23, 1962.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 45

Relating to the order of business at Fish and Game Board meetings.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, Second Session Assembled:

WHEREAS at least one full meeting of the Fish and Game Board each year is devoted exclusively to the promulgation of regulations governing commercial fishing; and

WHEREAS there is a large public attendance at such meetings, comprised of representatives from every area of the State, who often attend the meeting at great inconvenience and expense to themselves; and

WHEREAS the Board presently promulgates regulations on a district by district basis, always in the same order, to

the benefit of those persons whose district is considered first, but to the detriment of those persons whose districts are considered later in the meeting; and

WHEREAS a change in the Board's procedure such that the order of the fishing districts considered would rotate on a yearly basis would tend to equalize the burden over the years on those members of the public who seek to attend the hearings;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Board of Fish and Game is urged to rotate the order of the fishing districts for which commercial fishing regulations are promulgated on a yearly basis.

Passed by the House March 13, 1962.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 49

Relating to the extension of the airfield runway at Seldovia.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, Second Session Assembled:

WHEREAS the progress of Alaska and

the well-being of its residents are greatly dependent on air transportation; and

WHEREAS, although the population of the Seldovia area is expanding, the continuation of this growth is uncertain and

the productive utilization of the present population is hindered by the lack of an adequate airfield; and

WHEREAS the lack of an adequate airfield results in difficulty in shipping freight; and

WHEREAS the present airfield is well-used due to daily airmail flights and the service provided by five bush airlines and one scheduled commercial airline, but

these airplanes are very small and have limited load capacities; and

WHEREAS, because of the length of the Seldovia airfield, its use is restricted to very small aircraft;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Commissioner of Public Works is requested to extend the airfield at Seldovia.

Passed by the House April 9, 1962.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 51

Relating to the construction of an airstrip at Anchor Point.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, Second Session Assembled:

WHEREAS there is no airstrip at Anchor Point; and

WHEREAS there is a need for daily flights of medium-sized aircraft to Anchor Point; and

WHEREAS the citizens of Anchor Point and the Division of Aviation have selected an appropriate airstrip site located on federal lands; and

WHEREAS the state requested this land from the Bureau of Land Management in November of 1961, but no action has been taken on the request;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Division of Aviation and the Division of Lands are requested to urge the U. S. Bureau of Land Management to convey the land at the proposed airstrip site to the state as quickly as possible.

Passed by the House April 9, 1962.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 53

Relating to the imposition of regulations limiting the number of crabpots in the area between Cape Suckling to Cape Spencer.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, Second Session Assembled:

WHEREAS the waters off Cape Suckling south to Cape Spencer abound with Dungeness Crab, species cancer magister; and

WHEREAS no limitation presently exists which controls the number of crabpots that may be set for the harvesting of the Dungeness Crab, species cancer magister, from Cape Suckling to Cape Spencer; and

WHEREAS a limitation in the number of crabpots should be set so as to properly

conserve this natural resource; and

WHEREAS the number of crabpots permissible in this region for each single registration should be fixed at a maximum of 250 crabpots so as to equalize and conserve the harvest in relation to other areas of the state;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Board of Fish and Game is urged to promulgate commercial fishing rules and regulations limiting the number of crabpots for the harvesting of Dungeness Crab, species cancer magister, to 250 crabpots in the waters off Cape Suckling south to Cape Spencer.

Passed by the House March 31, 1962.