

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 25

Relating to a Committee for Higher Education in Alaska.**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the Legislature must regularly concern itself with the programs and goals of higher education in the state; and

WHEREAS there is an apparent need for an opportunity for those concerned with public and private higher education activities in the state to exchange views, coordinate programs, and outline and adjust their goals in the general public interest; and

WHEREAS it would be helpful to the Governor and the Legislature if the institutions of higher learning, and representatives of the state government and the general public would cooperate in formulating a suggested long-range plan which would provide the people with the best possible approach to a continuing higher education program of quality and service;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is requested to appoint a Committee for Higher Education in Alaska which would bring together the thinking and talents of representatives of higher education, the public and government in surveying the status, and needs and prospects for higher education in the state, and attempt to coordinate public and private higher education programs in the public interest. The committee is to be composed of the presidents and governing or advisory board chairman of the University of Alaska, Alaska Methodist University, and Sheldon Jackson Junior College, the Commissioner of Education, a representative of the business community, a representative of organized labor designated by the Governor, and a legislative leader selected by the Governor to serve as a member and chairman. The committee is to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Legislature by January 15, 1965.

Passed by the Senate March 11, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 26

Relating to the efforts of Governor William A. Egan to protect the Alaska fishing waters against foreign intrusion.**Be it Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the fishing industry is the major industry of the state and is of critical importance to the economic well-being of the state and its citizenry; and

WHEREAS there has been no greater threat to the life of the fishing industry than the intrusion of Soviet and Japanese fishing fleets into Alaska fishing waters; and

WHEREAS the Governor of the state, the Honorable William A. Egan, has been steadfast and untiring in his efforts to secure protection against foreign intrusion into Alaska fishing waters; and

WHEREAS it has been the unremitting efforts of the Governor which have motivated the United States Department

of State to give the problem the recognition and attention so urgently required; and

WHEREAS, at the behest of the United States Department of State, the Governor has travelled to the Soviet Union and conducted direct negotiations with the representatives of the government of the Soviet Union in order to solve the problem; and

WHEREAS the negotiations conducted by the Governor hold promise of a satisfactory and lasting agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union in this matter;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate extends its commendation and gratitude to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of the State of Alaska, for his courageous and determined efforts in seeking protection of Alaska fishing waters from intrusion by Soviet and Japanese fishing vessels, in motivating the United States Department of State

to the proper action, and in defending the economic well-being of the state and its citizenry from the great peril posed to its fishing industry; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of

this resolution be sent to the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State of the United States, and to the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 12, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 28

Relating to reductions in the rates on freight shipments to Western Alaska.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the Federal Maritime Commission on March 6, 1964, ordered reductions in rates on freight shipments by water to Western Alaska; and

WHEREAS the decision by the Commission is an outstanding victory for the state in its long struggle to eliminate excessive rates on freight shipments to Alaska; and

WHEREAS the success of the state in obtaining the rate reductions is the direct result of the very diligent efforts made by the Governor, the Attorney General, and the members of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS the Senate is especially gratified at the successful results ob-

tained, inasmuch as the Legislature in its concern and wisdom appropriated the funds necessary for litigating the rate increases which were the subject of the recent order, drew the attention of the executive branch to the matter, and permitted the Attorney General the necessary latitude of action in investigating and contesting the rates at issue;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate extends its commendation to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of the State of Alaska; the Honorable George N. Hayes, Attorney General of the State of Alaska; and the members of the Legislature collectively for their dedicated efforts culminating in the freight rate reductions for Western Alaska ordered by the Federal Maritime Commission on March 6, 1964.

Passed by the Senate March 16, 1964.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29

Relating to a report on juvenile detention facilities and programs.

Be it Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the Legislature shares and reflects the interest and concern regarding the general public for an adequate program for detention and rehabilitation of juvenile offenders; and

WHEREAS the Legislature must concern itself with financing and authorizing construction and rehabilitation programs to meet current and anticipated needs in this field; and

WHEREAS timely decisions and action by the executive and legislative branches of the government must of necessity be based on a survey of the type and loca-

tion of appropriate facilities needed for present and future use and the value of programs or alternative programs of benefit to the youth concerned and the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed, with the cooperation of other state agencies concerned, to explore the present and anticipated need for juvenile detention facilities in the state and the types of suggested programs for rehabilitation of juvenile offenders including resource conservation and recreational site construction and maintenance programs, and report its findings and recommendations to the first regular session of the Fourth Legislature in 1965.

Passed by the Senate March 16, 1964.