

WHEREAS, since statehood, the Legislature has accomplished a bulk formal revision of all the law of the state and has proceeded with the substantive revision of certain areas of law to make them compatible with contemporary needs and circumstances; and

WHEREAS the criminal code represents a body of law which has been the subject of patchwork amendments without a comprehensive review or revision in over two

generations and is consequently out of step with constitutional and social developments of recent decades;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed to review the criminal code in consultation with governmental and private agencies and persons concerned with facets of the subject, and report its findings and recommendations in the form of a report with a suggested substantive revision in bill form to the Legislature.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22

Directing a Legislative Council study of the predation of wild game on domestic feed supplies.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

WHEREAS each year dairymen and farmers suffer considerable financial loss because of damage to or consumption of winter feed supplies by hungry game animals; and

WHEREAS the feed supplies so destroyed or consumed are expensive and not always possible to replace, thus causing hardship for the farmer or dairyman and endangering their domestic stock; and

WHEREAS at the present time the farmer or dairyman has no legal or financial remedy for this loss and in effect must bear the burden of feeding wild game at the expense of his own operation;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed, with the cooperation of the Department of Fish and Game, to study and report on the problem of crop destruction by wild game and include in its report recommendations for legislation to curb this depredation and to recompense those who have suffered serious loss as a result of it.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25

Directing that a comprehensive study be made regarding the compensation of teachers and administrators.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

WHEREAS the Alaska State Board of Education, by formal resolution, has stated that any prospective action by the Legislature regarding the compensation of teachers and administrators cannot be intelligently approached until a comprehensive study of the matter is undertaken; and

WHEREAS the legislature recognizes that the required information on which it must rely in considering and taking any action regarding the compensation of teachers and administrators is not now available;

Council is directed to develop the information necessary for appropriate and timely state action on the subject of the compensation of teachers, administrators and professional members of the state public education system by reviewing, reporting, and making recommendations on the following:

- (1) the Alaska teacher salary position as compared with that of other states;
- (2) the cost-of-living differential and fringe benefits within areas of this state and as compared with that of other states;
- (3) the needs of the profession generally with respect to salaries;
- (4) the academic bases for teacher wage classifications and raises in the light of their impact on needed educational standards;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative

(5) the desirability of increasing the annual average number of days taught and the resulting effect on teacher-administrator salaries;

(6) the salaries of professional staff members in the Department of Education; and

(7) any other facets of teacher-ad-

ministrator compensation which would be of use in making legislative determinations; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council consult with the Department of Education and invite the participation of education and other groups and qualified individuals in developing the information for its report and recommendations.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Directing the Legislative Council to prepare a comprehensive revision of the school laws of the state.

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

WHEREAS a proposed revision of the education laws of the state has been submitted to the Legislature as House Bill No. 12, "An Act revising AS 14, Education"; and

WHEREAS House Bill No. 12 is not a complete revision of the school laws and leaves many unresolved problems in the laws; and

WHEREAS the subject of the bill is broad in scope and effect; and

WHEREAS other legislation dealing with many problems related to education has been submitted to the Legislature;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed to draft an extensive and thorough revision of Title 14, making use of information gained from House Bill No. 12 and related bills, records of public hearings on House Bill No. 12 and related bills, the Department of Education, the Alaska State Board of Education, professional educators' groups, other state departments and agencies, and any other source which may be of assistance; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that a proposed revision of Title 14 be completed and presented to the Legislature for its consideration in January, 1966.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29

Directing a report on local government consumer sales taxes.

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

WHEREAS with the advent of borough government the incidence of the consumer sales tax has become generally universal in all developed areas of the state; and

WHEREAS the lack of uniformity and the variations of incidence and rates along with the competition between borough and city governments for tax revenue has compounded the confusion for the taxpayer, business and government; and

WHEREAS the Legislature is without the full information on the consumer sales tax situation needed to legislate in the public interest;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed to make a comprehensive study of the consumer sales taxes levied by local governments, report to the Legislature on prevailing rates, incidence, exemptions, overlapping and other aspects of the consumer sales taxes as they apply to sales of goods, services and rentals, and submit with its report suggested legislation to bring an element of uniformity to the consumer sales tax among local governments throughout the state.