



# Alaska State Legislature

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## JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to social security payments to the senior citizens of Alaska.

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BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS federal civil service employees in Alaska are allowed a 25 per cent differential in pay to compensate for the high living costs in Alaska; and

WHEREAS senior Alaskan citizens receiving social security payments are not allowed a differential in their payments; and

WHEREAS the average overall cost of living in Alaska is more than 25 per cent higher than the cost of living in the contiguous 48 states; and

WHEREAS the high cost of living in Alaska compels many senior Alaskan citizens to leave Alaska and move to other states where the living costs are less expensive and more in conformity with their social security income;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress of the United States is requested to enact legislation which would permit the 25 per cent differential currently used in the federal civil service pay scale to be incorporated into the benefit payment scale of social

security for Alaskan citizens.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Carl Hayden, President Pro Tempore of the Senate; the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House; the Honorable John W. Gardner, Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare; the Honorable Robert M. Ball, Commissioner of Social Security Administration; and to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.