



Alaska State Legislature

1966

Source:

HJR 91

HJR 91

JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to rail ferry service for motor vehicles between Healy and McKinley Park Station.

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

WHEREAS McKinley National Park is a favorite tourist attraction in the state; and

WHEREAS during the summer season, tourists traveling by motor vehicle between the Anchorage and Fairbanks areas who wish to visit the park may avoid the circular side trip from the park to Fairbanks over the Denali, Richardson and Alaska Highways, which is over 300 miles, only if special arrangements are made through Fairbanks to have a rail flatcar provided to ferry automobiles for the 11-mile stretch between Healy and McKinley Park station; and

WHEREAS regularly scheduled rail ferry service between these stations would encourage more visitors to tour the park; and

WHEREAS regularly scheduled rail ferry service between Healy and McKinley Park station during the tourist season could be provided through use of the existing railroad facilities and personnel at these stations if rolling stock suitable for this service

is kept at these stations during the summer months;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Railroad is urged to provide regularly scheduled motor vehicle ferry service between Healy and McKinley Park station during the tourist season and to establish reasonable charges for this service.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable George B. Hartzog, Jr., Director, National Park Service; the Honorable John E. Manley, General Manager, Alaska Railroad; and 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.