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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47 am S

Requesting a study of criminal sentences by the state judiciary.

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

WHEREAS there is a strong feeling on the part of many people of the state, that the Alaska judiciary is being too lenient in its sentencing by imposing too many suspended sentences and too many sentences that are not sufficiently severe; and

WHEREAS the growing concern of these people promotes fear and detracts from the support of and faith in the judicial system;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature respectfully requests the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court to undertake a study of the present sentencing practices of all courts of the state, excluding magistrate courts, and conduct a seminar for all judges and justices of the state, excluding magistrates, for the purposes of expressing to them the disapprobation of the people, of analyzing current sentencing practice and theory and of bringing to all parties concerned a greater understanding of criminal sentencing and procedure; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Justice report his findings, conclusions and any recommendations for legislation he may have to the First Session of the Sixth Legislature.