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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

Relating to the subject of Alaska history as taught in the schools of the state.

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

WHEREAS the history of Alaska is one which is colorful and exciting and of great importance to a student of history both for itself and as it relates to United States and world history; and

WHEREAS the teaching of Alaska history is not properly emphasized and is sketchily taught in the public schools of the state; and

WHEREAS the textbooks which treat the history of Alaska are insufficient to present a valuable and relevant understanding of the state's history and that of its peoples; and

WHEREAS the teachers who presently instruct public school pupils in the history of Alaska are inadequately prepared to teach the subject; and

WHEREAS it is of the utmost importance to have a good, well-rounded Alaska history textbook setting forth the history of Alaska for effective understanding on the part of the student, high quality presentation on the part of the teacher, and to stimulate pupil and teacher interest in Alaska's history in the elementary and secondary schools of the state;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Department of Education to conduct a study to determine the feasibility and cost of commissioning the writing of an adequate history of Alaska, to determine the best means by

which interest, of student and teacher alike, in the history of Alaska may be stimulated and to report its findings and recommendations to the Second Session of the Sixth State Legislature.