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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6

Relating to a study of the recycling of solid wastes.

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

WHEREAS enormous quantities of products are imported and utilized by Alaskans in every walk of life which are either shipped in paper, fiber glass, metal, rubber, or plastic containers or the products themselves are composed of these materials; and

WHEREAS a vast number of these items are either reusable if they are collected and returned to the manufacturer or are capable of being reprocessed into useful commercial articles; and

WHEREAS Alaska does not at present have adequate disposal systems for the volume of waste products that must be dealt with on a daily basis; and

WHEREAS, as a result, Alaska is literally covered with unsightly amounts of materials strewn hither and yon and in some cases such litter also creates hazards to the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS many employment opportunities would become a reality if these vast numbers of reprocessable containers were able to be reprocessed in Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Department of Environmental Conservation within the limits of its appropriations to conduct a feasibility study regarding the recycling of solid wastes in Alaska and to immediately promulgate regulations regarding this matter where statutory authority now exists; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the report of the department, including its recommendations with implementing legislation, if any is needed, be submitted to the Eighth Legislature - Second Session.