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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 82

Relating to the decision of the Civil Aeronautics Board giving Alaska Airlines exclusive authority to service Southeastern Alaska.

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

WHEREAS the Civil Aeronautics Board has given Alaska Airlines exclusive authority to service Southeastern Alaska commencing February 7, 1972; and

WHEREAS the people of Southeastern Alaska desire and need competitive air service; and

WHEREAS the traffic record in Southeastern Alaska has for several years steadily improved, indicating beyond a doubt that competitive service is called for in that area of the state; and

WHEREAS the documents before the CAB reveal no evidence, as viewed by the State of Alaska, to indicate the financial ability of Alaska Airlines alone to provide the quality and dependability of service necessary to the Southeastern region of the state; and

WHEREAS the CAB's own traffic projection figures demonstrate an estimated 10 per cent annual increase in air traffic in Southeastern Alaska during each of the next seven years, the term of Alaska's exclusive authority;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that it expresses grave doubts concerning the wisdom of the decision of the CAB to limit Southeastern Alaska to the services of only one airline; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Civil Aeronautics Board is

urgently requested to re-examine its decision and to assure the continuation of competitive air service for Southeastern Alaska.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Secor D. Browne, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.