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Relating to transportation of mail to Alaska mainline and bush communities.

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:**

WHEREAS both the mainline and bush communities in the state must be assured of reliable, year-round scheduled passenger air service at reasonable rates in order to meet the transportation needs of their residents and visitors; and

WHEREAS the provision of scheduled passenger air service in the state is uniquely affected by climatic conditions, pronounced seasonal traffic, and high operating costs; and

WHEREAS revenue from the carriage of mail to Alaska mainline and bush communities makes a vital contribution to the ability of the scheduled passenger airlines to sustain adequate, year-round scheduled operations; and

WHEREAS it is critical to the preservation and development of scheduled passenger air service in the state that the opportunity for the carriage of mail to mainline and bush communities be made available by the U.S. Postal Service on a fair and equitable basis, recognizing both the level and quality of scheduled service being offered to each affected community; and

WHEREAS it is critical to the residents in the bush communities to have the mail and goods delivered in a timely manner, this must be a basis for consideration;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate respectfully requests the U.S. Postal Service adopt a policy for the distribution of mail to airlines that serve Alaska mainline and bush communities and that the policy specifically take into account the frequency and capacity of scheduled service offered by each airline serving a particular mainline or bush community.