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Establishing a Senate Special Committee on Senior Citizens and Pioneers.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS Alaska's Natives revere and respect their senior citizens; and

WHEREAS Alaska is fortunate that many of its citizens who helped achieve statehood are still living; and

WHEREAS many senior citizens involved in the founding of the state did so at great cost and hardship to themselves; and

WHEREAS many of Alaska's senior citizens receive neither social security benefits nor health insurance benefits; and

WHEREAS at least half of Alaska's senior citizens have incomes under \$10,000 a year; and

WHEREAS many senior citizens do not have incomes that are sufficient to provide adequate sustenance, health care, and housing; and

WHEREAS 3.4 percent of the state's population is over 65 years of age compared to the national average of 12.1 percent; and

WHEREAS Alaskans are proud of their senior citizens and believe that they deserve to live with dignity;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate that a Senate Special Committee on Senior Citizens and Pioneers is established to examine issues, make recommendations, and initiate legislation appropriate to the well-being of Alaska's senior citizens; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the president of the Senate shall determine the number of senators to be members of the committee, and shall appoint the members and designate a member to chair the committee; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Senate Special Committee on Senior Citizens and Pioneers may meet during and between sessions of the Sixteenth Alaska State Legislature, and is terminated on the convening of the First Session of the Seventeenth Alaska State Legislature.