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Relating to travel advisories issued by the Department of State.

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

WHEREAS the Bureau of Consular Affairs in the Department of State, through its Citizens Travel Advisory Service, provides important information to persons planning to travel in various locations throughout the world; and

WHEREAS these travel advisories can have a profound effect, either positive or negative, on the tourism industry that operates in the locations for which the bureau provides information; and

WHEREAS tourism has become the number one industry in the world and in America, providing over 6,000,000 jobs and billions of dollars in revenue for communities throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS tourism provides opportunities to open the doors of the global community as a prelude to understanding between different cultures; and

WHEREAS public and private entities throughout the world have invested heavily in the development of international tourism; and

WHEREAS it is essential that the information put out by the bureau be accurate so

that people are well-informed and so that the tourism industry in a particular location is not inadvertently and unnecessarily harmed by inaccuracies;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the Bureau of Consular Affairs, Department of State, to allow public entities in this country that may be affected by a travel advisory to review the advisory before it is released in order to ensure its accuracy and to make other recommendations when necessary or desirable.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Dan Quayle, Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable James A. Baker III, Secretary of State; the Honorable Robert C. Byrd, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; Elizabeth M. Tamposi, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of Consular Affairs; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.