

**CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31(WTR)**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON WORLD TRADE AND STATE/FEDERAL RELATIONS**

**Offered: 4/21/95  
Referred: Finance**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES JAMES, Kott**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Urging the United States Congress to consider and enact legislation to revise the  
2 Internal Revenue Code to levy a flat tax.**

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

**4 WHEREAS** the current federal Internal Revenue Code is characterized by myriad  
**5 exemptions, exceptions, loopholes, complicated schedules, and targeted tax breaks, and is  
6 fraught with pitfalls for the taxpayer who attempts to calculate the tax obligation due; and**

**7 WHEREAS**, because the Code imposes a taxation on the earnings of personal savings,  
**8 the tax is counterproductive of efforts to encourage individuals and families to save and invest  
9 a portion of their incomes; and**

**10 WHEREAS** there is a need to replace the current federal Internal Revenue Code with  
**11 a fairer, simpler tax system; and**

**12 WHEREAS** substitution of a fixed-rate or "flat" tax would mean that all income would  
**13 be taxed only once, at a uniform rate; and**

**14 WHEREAS** the replacement of the current Internal Revenue Code with a fixed-rate  
**15 or "flat" tax would restore a high degree of fairness to the manner in which the federal  
16 government treats the people of the United States.**

1           **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges the United States Congress  
2 to consider and enact legislation to replace the current Internal Revenue Code with the levy  
3 of a fixed-rate or "flat" tax.

4           **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the  
5 United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and president  
6 of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Newt Gingrich, Speaker of the U.S. House of  
7 Representatives; the Honorable Bob Dole, U.S. Senate Majority Leader; the Honorable Tom  
8 Daschle, U.S. Senate Minority Leader; the Honorable Dick Armey, U.S. House Majority  
9 Leader; the Honorable Richard Gephardt, U.S. House Minority Leader; the Honorable Bob  
10 Packwood, Chair, and the Honorable Daniel Patrick Moynihan, ranking minority member,  
11 Senate Finance Committee; the Honorable Bill Archer, Chair, and the Honorable Sam  
12 Gibbons, ranking minority member, House Committee on Ways and Means; and to the  
13 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the  
14 Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in the United  
15 States Congress.