

CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8(RLS)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/28/95

Referred: Today's Calendar

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

A RESOLUTION

**1 Approving in part the revised open meetings guidelines proposed by the Select
2 Committee on Legislative Ethics.**

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

4 WHEREAS, in sec. 10, ch. 69, SLA 1994, the Eighteenth Alaska State Legislature
5 directed the Select Committee on Legislative Ethics to submit proposed initial guidelines
6 applying the open meetings principles to the legislature and the committee submitted revised
7 guidelines that were published in the House and Senate Joint Journal Supplement No. 9, on
8 February 21, 1995;

9 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the revised initial guidelines
10 applying the open meetings principles to the legislature as published in House and Senate Joint
11 Journal Supplement No. 9 are affirmed, except as listed in the paragraphs below, and to the
12 extent that the guidelines do not conflict with or add to the Uniform Rules of the Alaska State
13 Legislature; and be it

14 FURTHER RESOLVED the guidelines shall be implemented to be consistent with
15 the fact that the presiding officer of a house of the legislature is the final arbiter on any point
16 of order, subject only to appeal upheld by a majority of the membership of the body; and be

1 it

2 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the part of the guidelines that addresses "Go Between
3 or Serial Meetings" cannot be affirmed until the meaning of the phrase is clarified; and be it

4 **FURTHER RESOLVED** those parts of the guidelines that address the topics of
5 "Meetings Not Otherwise Described" and political strategy sessions and that define "non-
6 legislative organization" are not affirmed.