

**HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

**Introduced: 3/29/04**

**Referred: House Special Committee on Economic Development, International Trade, and Tourism, Finance**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Continuing the Alaska Energy Policy Task Force.**

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

3 **WHEREAS** Legislative Resolve 24, approved by the First Session of the Twenty-  
4 Third Alaska Legislature, declared that an adequate, reliable, reasonably priced, and safe  
5 supply of electric energy is a basic necessity; that infrastructure elements are dependent on an  
6 adequate, reliable, reasonably priced, and safe supply of energy; and that meaningful  
7 economic development and technological advancement cannot occur in Alaska without an  
8 adequate, reliable, safe, and reasonably priced energy supply; and

9 **WHEREAS** that Resolve affirmed the need to consider how electricity is generated,  
10 transmitted, and distributed in Alaska in order to meet the state's existing and future electrical  
11 needs in the safest and most efficient manner; and

12 **WHEREAS** that Resolve established the Alaska Energy Policy Task Force and  
13 charged that body to review and analyze the state's current and long-term energy needs,  
14 giving specific direction to consideration of Railbelt area current and long-term electrical  
15 needs and the development of a long-term energy plan for Alaska that will efficiently enhance  
16 the state's economic future; and

1           **WHEREAS** the Alaska Energy Policy Task Force established in that Resolve is  
2 scheduled to terminate on April 15, 2004;

3           **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska Energy Task Force established in Legislative  
4 Resolve 24 is continued under the provisions of that Resolve; and be it

5           **FURTHER RESOLVED** that, in addition to the report of its findings regarding a  
6 Railbelt energy plan that was submitted to the legislature in December 31, 2003, and the  
7 report required to be submitted to the legislature regarding energy plans for areas of the state  
8 other than the Railbelt by March 31, 2004, the task force shall submit a final comprehensive  
9 report of its findings regarding both a Railbelt energy plan and one or more energy plans for  
10 areas of the state other than the Railbelt to the legislature by January 31, 2005, and may make  
11 any interim reports it considers advisable; and be it

12           **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the task force is terminated at 11:59 p.m. on March 1,  
13 2005.