

AMENDMENT #2

OFFERED IN THE HOUSE
TO: HCS SJR 7(RES)

BY REPRESENTATIVE EASTMAN

1 Page 1, line 3, following "Refuge": (Title Amendment)

2 Insert "; and urging the United States Congress to amend the Tax Cuts and Jobs
3 Act to honor the Alaska Statehood Act with respect to the state's share of bonuses,
4 royalties, and rentals from exploration and development in the Arctic National Wildlife
5 Refuge"

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7 Page 2, following line 14:

8 Insert new material to read:

9 "WHEREAS sec. 28 of the Alaska Statehood Act provides, "[a]ll net profits from
10 operation of Government mines, and all bonuses, royalties, and rentals under leases as herein
11 provided and all other payments received under this Act shall be distributed as follows as
12 soon as practicable after December 31 and June 30 of each year: (1) 90 per centum thereof
13 shall be paid by the Secretary of the Treasury to the State of Alaska for disposition by the
14 legislature thereof; and (2) 10 per centum shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United
15 States to the credit of miscellaneous receipts"; and

16 WHEREAS sec. 20001 of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (P.L. 115-97) provides for a 50
17 percent share to Alaska with the federal government for bonuses, royalties, and rentals from
18 mineral leases on federal land in the state, in contravention of the percentage shares required
19 under the Alaska Statehood Act; and"

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21 Page 3, line 30:

22 Delete "."

23 Insert "; and be it

1 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature urges the United States
2 Congress, before entering into a lease agreement relating to the coastal plain of the Arctic
3 National Wildlife Refuge, to amend sec. 20001 of the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (P.L. 115-97) to
4 honor the Alaska Statehood Act, which provides that the state receive a 90 percent share of all
5 bonuses, royalties, and rentals under leases received by the federal government for
6 exploration and development in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge."

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8 Page 4, line 2, following "Senate;":

9 Insert "the Honorable Mitch McConnell, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; the
10 Honorable Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives;"