

1. IN THE HOUSE

BY MESSRS KEY, GREUEL,
STRINGER AND SNODGRASS

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 2

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4.

TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

5. TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE SENATE AND HOUSE

6. OF REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED, THE SECRETARY OF

7. THE INTERIOR, AND THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

8. Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of

9. Alaska, in Twenty-first Session assembled, respectfully

10. represents:

11. WHEREAS, the cities of Anchorage, Fairbanks, Seward,

12. Palmer and Nenana, Alaska, together with the balance of the

13. area known as the Alaska Railbelt, are hampered in their

14. growth by a severe shortage of electric power; and

15. WHEREAS, military establishments within this most strategic

16. section of the Territory of Alaska similarly are handicapped

17. by a power shortage; and

18. WHEREAS, a preliminary study by the Bureau of Reclamation

19. has established that a hydroelectric power dam and plant can

20. be constructed at Devil Canyon on the Susitna River so as to

21. generate 1,150,000,000 kilowatt hours annually of firm power

22. at a cost of less than 10 mills per kilowatt hour; and

23. WHEREAS, this energy transmitted to the cities and areas

24. named above would solve the power problems of the Alaska Rail-

25. belt and would find a ready market which would insure repayment

26. of the federal investment in the dam and power and transmission

27. facilities.

28. NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the

29. Territory of Alaska, respectfully prays that the Congress of

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Passed Senate

1. the United States enact suitable legislation to authorize and
2. carry forward construction of the Devil Canyon Dam on the
3. Gucitna River, together with appurtenant power production and
4. transmission facilities, as a federal project.

5. AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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