

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, ROADS,
COMMERCE AND COMMUNICATIONS

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HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 23

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-FIRST SESSION

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TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF

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REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED; AND

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THE DELEGATE TO CONGRESS FROM ALASKA:

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Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of

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Alaska in Twenty-first Regular Session assembled, respectfully

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represents that:

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WHEREAS, the Territory of Alaska is at a crucial stage in

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its growth and economic development; and

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WHEREAS, the most important factor in continued growth and

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development is the building and expansion of basic industry in

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Alaska; and

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WHEREAS, the high costs of transportation for persons and

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freight in Alaska are a most serious deterrent to the making of

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new investments and the growth of Alaskan industry; and

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WHEREAS, there are pending before the 85rd Congress mea-

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asures providing for the repeal of the wartime emergency trans-

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portation tax on passenger travel and the reduction of the trans-

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portion tax on freight; and

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WHEREAS, the passage and approval of these measures would

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so lower transportation costs in Alaska as to provide a large

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incentive toward the expansion and healthy growth of industry;

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NOW, THEREFORE, your Memorialist urgently requests that

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favorable action be taken at the earliest possible time on

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H.R. 91, providing for the repeal of the 15% tax on passenger

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travel, and on H.R. 92, providing for certain reductions in the

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1 3% tax on transportation of freight, to the end that the people
2 may be relieved of undue tax burdens and hindrances to the
3 development of a sound economy.

4 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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