

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MESSRS. MCNEALY AND GRUEL

2 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 18

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

4 TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS
6 COMMITTEES; CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS
7 COMMITTEES; AND THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT, DELEGATE TO CON-
8 GRESS FROM ALASKA:

9 Your Memorialist, the House of Representatives of the
10 Legislature of the Territory of Alaska in Twenty-second Regular
11 Session assembled, respectfully submits that:

12 WHEREAS, the operations of the Government of Alaska have
13 increased immeasurably since the Organic Act was adopted for
14 the Territory, and

15 WHEREAS, more than 300 bills are being considered by this
16 session of the Legislature and it will be manifestly impossible
17 to properly consider even a major portion of the same within the
18 60 days allotted to the biennial session, and

19 WHEREAS, the economic and tax problems of the Territory,
20 accumulated during the two years prior to the session, are vir-
21 tually impossible to solve during the 60-day session, and

22 WHEREAS, governmental affairs in Alaska would be greatly
23 expedited by providing for a 60-day session of the Legislature
24 in odd-numbered years and a ⁶⁰30-day session in even-numbered
25 years,

26 NOW THEREFORE, your Memorialist, the Legislature of the
27 Territory of Alaska, respectfully requests that Congress amend
28 the Organic Act of the Territory of Alaska by providing that
29 the Legislature of Alaska meet for ⁶⁰30 days commencing on the

1 third Monday in January of even-numbered years, in addition to
2 the regular 60-day session presently provided for in odd-numbered
3 years.

4 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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