

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR PERATROVICH

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SENATE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 7

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

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TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES; SECRETARY OF
6 STATE; SECRETARY OF COMMERCE; SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTA-
7 TIVES; AND THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE:

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Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska
9 in Twenty-third Session assembled, respectfully represents that:

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WHEREAS, under present United States' policy, foreign imports
11 of fillets, fish and fish products have increased many-fold in
12 the last five years; and

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WHEREAS, the foreign producers of fish products have a com-
14 petitive market advantage over similar Alaska-produced fish pro-
15 ducts due to the exceedingly low cost of labor prevailing in the
16 foreign countries exporting said products; and,

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WHEREAS, the resulting competition on the American market
18 for these and Alaska-produced fish products is unfair and
19 injurious to the marketing of the Alaska fish and fish products;
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WHEREAS, these same foreign producers of fish products are
22 obtaining a substantial portion of their catch as a result of
23 poaching fishing; and,

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WHEREAS, the concentrated and extensive fishing by these
25 foreign producers are tending to destroy salmon and other fish
26 of Alaska stock and origin; and,

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WHEREAS, it is in the interests of the United States and
28 Alaska that the development and preservation of the Alaska fish-
29 ing industry be maintained;

1 NOW, THEREFORE, Your Memorialist respectfully prays that
2 immediate and appropriate steps be taken to restrict the impor-
3 tation of foreign caught and processed fish and that more
4 stringent international regulations of pelagic fishing be prom-
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6 AND YOUR MEMORIALIST WILL EVER PRAY.

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