

1 IN THE HOUSE BY MESSRS. HAMMOND AND HOFFMAN
2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 23
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the construction of access
6 roads from sea and river ports to min-
7 eralized areas in conjunction with the
8 state highway program.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE IN FIRST LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION
10 ASSEMBLED, THE SENATE CONCURRING;

11 WHEREAS, the development of Alaska's mineral deposits has
12 been stifled by the lack of adequate surface transportation
13 facilities; and

14 WHEREAS, the principal known belt of heavy mineralization in
15 the state occurs on the drainage of the Kuskokwim and Nushagak
16 Rivers; and

17 WHEREAS, the proximity of these mineralized areas to sea
18 and river ports would require the construction of only short
19 stretches of road to make utilization of these resources feasible
20 and thereby productive of more revenue for the state; and

21 WHEREAS, the construction of the most productive type of
22 roads should have priority in planning for the state highway
23 system and access roads from sea or river ports to mineralized
24 areas is more productive than major highway projection into
25 barren wilderness areas; and

26 WHEREAS, access roads from sea and river ports to known
27 mineralized areas could be planned for eventual connection with
28 each other and the main state highway system;

29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House in First Legislature, Second

1 Session assembled, the Senate concurring, that the Commissioner
2 of Public Works be, and hereby is, directed to have the division
3 of highways study all aspects of planning for and construction
4 of access roads from sea and river ports to highly mineralized
5 areas in conjunction with the general state highway program and
6 report its findings and recommendations to the first session of
7 the second legislature on the day it convenes in 1961.

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