IN THE HOUSE BY RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to preparations for supplying natural gas to Barrow.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA IN FIRST LEGISLATURE, SECOND SESSION ASSEMBLED:

WHEREAS, the Department of Interior has promised the inhabitants of Barrow that natural gas facilities in town would be made available to the population; and

WHEREAS, a desperate fuel shortage chronically threatens the village of Barrow; and

WHEREAS, Alaska through its rural development program is able to assist persons in outlying areas;

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works is capable of assisting the rural development program by use of its facilities and personnel;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Public Works be instructed by the Governor to accomplish all steps required prior to tapping into the Department of Interior's gas line at Barrow thereby executing the declared policy of the State of Alaska, to assist its Eskimo, Indian and Aleut citizens to establish safe and healthy living conditions in the remote areas of the State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon completion of arrangements to tap the gas line, the Department of Interior of the United States be notified that all has been accomplished that is required to assist the Department in carrying out its promise to permit the citizens of Barrow to utilize the gas previously promised to them.