

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. KENDALL

2 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 36

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE E. L. BARTLETT AND THE HONORABLE ERNEST GRUENING,  
6 SENATORS FROM ALASKA; THE HONORABLE RALPH RIVERS, REPRESENTATIVE  
7 FROM ALASKA; THE HONORABLE CLARENCE CANNON, CHAIRMAN OF THE HOUSE  
8 APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE; AND THE HONORABLE CARL HAYDEN, CHAIRMAN  
9 OF THE SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE:

10 Your Memorialist, the Legislature of the State of Alaska in  
11 First Legislature, Second Session assembled respectfully submits  
12 that:

13 WHEREAS, the State of Alaska abounds in a natural wealth of  
14 virgin forests; and

15 WHEREAS, the wealth of these forests is barely tapped; and

16 WHEREAS, the proper utilization and ultimate exploitation of  
17 this natural wealth so fortunately bestowed upon this state re-  
18 quires that potential users be adequately informed of the exact  
19 nature of the forests, of their extent, and of their potential  
20 and several uses; and

21 WHEREAS, the federal government expends more on the gathering  
22 of such information by the Forest Service in the other states than  
23 it does in Alaska, yet the forests of these other states have  
24 already received a much more thorough investigation than have the  
25 forests of Alaska; and

26 WHEREAS, the economic development of this state requires that  
27 every resource be exploited in the best way possible; and

28 WHEREAS, the exploitation of the forests will bring more  
29 plants, mills, boats, and people to this state, result in an

1 increase to the nation's receipts from the use of our national  
2 forests, and alleviate a rapidly mounting and costly shortage of  
3 wood products, especially pulp products;

4 NOW THEREFORE, Your Memorialist urges that the congressional  
5 delegation from Alaska prevail upon the Department of Agriculture  
6 and the United States Forest Service to alleviate this unfortunate  
7 situation by increasing their requests for federal appropriations  
8 for the Forest Research Centers in Alaska for the purpose of  
9 making investigations and projections of the potential of Alaska's  
10 vast forests.

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