

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 TO THE HONORABLE DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED
6 STATES; THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF
7 REPRESENTATIVES; AND TO THE SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
8 OF THE UNITED STATES, IN CONGRESS ASSEMBLED:

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

12 WHEREAS, in the newly created State of Alaska, the future
13 development of the State will depend upon the orderly development
14 of transportation facilities to, from and within the State of
15 Alaska; and

16 WHEREAS, the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee
17 has held hearings in Alaska concerning the problems of transporta-
18 tion; and

19 WHEREAS, in 1957 at the request of the Senate of the United
20 States, the Interstate Commerce Commission made a comprehensive
21 survey and analysis of the regulatory problems affecting trans-
22 portation to, from and within Alaska; and

23 WHEREAS, certain of the transportation facilities are now
24 operating under the federal statutes regulating transportation and
25 subject to the jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission;
26 and

27 WHEREAS, the Interstate Commerce Commission in its report to
28 the Senate of the United States has recommended that the Alaska
29 Railroad, a government corporation, should be subject to the rate

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1 and service regulations of the Commission; and

2 WHEREAS, other transportation facilities in Alaska are not
3 now subject to the same or similar regulatory procedures and
4 control; and

5 WHEREAS, this lack of uniformity of regulation has permitted
6 inequitable and discriminatory rate practices to the detriment of
7 the shippers and receivers of freight in Alaska and such inequities
8 and lack of uniformity will continue to exist until proper amend-
9 ments to the Interstate Commerce Act have been promulgated by
10 Congress;

11 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that we, the Senate and House
12 of Representatives of the State of Alaska, do hereby respectfully
13 present to the Congress of the United States and particularly
14 to the Senate and House Committees on Foreign and Interstate
15 Commerce that they give due and immediate consideration to the
16 questions involved with relation to the proper amendments to laws
17 governing interstate commerce affecting the broad problems of
18 transportation to, from and within the newly created State of
19 Alaska; and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Memorial be transmitted
21 to the President of the United States, the President of the United
22 States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Repre-
23 sentatives, the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest
24 Gruening, Senators from Alaska and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers,
25 Representative from Alaska, each Senator and Representative in
26 Congress from the State of Washington, and to each member of the
27 Senate and House Committees on Foreign and Interstate Commerce.
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