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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 2

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the business climate

6 in Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS, the words "good business climate" as used herein
10 are defined as follows:

- 11 1. Having fair and equitable treatment in general legisla-
12 tion and administrative regulation for all segments of
13 Alaska's economy;
- 14 2. Having a state government which can be supported at a
15 cost to business enterprises which is no greater than the
16 cost of government imposed by other states;
- 17 3. Equitable tax policies and restriction of the cost of
18 government to reasonable levels;
- 19 4. Fair treatment for all in legislation and administration
20 of affairs concerning labor-management relations;
- 21 5. Fostering, in the public interest, an economic atmosphere
22 which will enable Alaska industries to compete for out-of-
23 state markets, mindful that marketing Alaska products outside
24 the state is a necessity for raising the standard of living
25 of Alaskans; and

26 WHEREAS, basic industry and agriculture are the prime movers
27 in stimulating the remainder of the business economy; and

28 WHEREAS, healthy industry broadens the tax base, thereby
29 providing needed revenues for community facilities and

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1 government services; and

2 WHEREAS, those firms interested in locating new plants are
3 besieged with offers and inducements from other states exhibiting
4 a favorable business climate; and

5 WHEREAS, a favorable business climate will attract capital
6 and industry to Alaska; and

7 WHEREAS, an unfavorable business climate will discourage
8 capital and industry which are free to seek the most favorable
9 locations and to accept the inducements offered elsewhere;

10 WHEREAS, the preservation of a good business climate is in
11 the public interest and can be continued without discriminating
12 against any interest in the state;

13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
14 Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Governor,
15 Commissioner of Revenue, Commissioner of Commerce and the Com-
16 missioners of each state department be requested to examine all
17 discretionary actions and orders in any way affecting business,
18 industry and agriculture in terms of the effect of such govern-
19 mental action upon the business climate in the State of Alaska;
20 and

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Chief Clerk of the House
22 is directed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Governor,
23 the Commissioner of Revenue, the Commissioner of Commerce and to
24 each Commissioner of the other departments in the government of
25 the State of Alaska.

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