

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. DEVEAU

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 48

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the purchase of local beef

6 by military installations in Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS, excellent beef is now being produced within the
10 State of Alaska, within a short distance of most military bases;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, owing a technical requirement of Federal inspection
13 of beef for military installations, the military is now importing
14 beef from countries as remote as Argentina; and

15 WHEREAS, there are veterinary and agriculture inspectors
16 employed by the State Division of Agriculture who are ready and
17 able, as they have done on some items in the past, to ensure
18 that the Alaskan beef complies with Federal requirements; and

19 WHEREAS, the development of a strong beef cattle industry
20 will be beneficial not only to the state, but also to the military
21 bases by ensuring more abundant beef at lower prices at a nearby
22 market; and

23 WHEREAS, the continuance of the practice of ignoring Alaskan
24 beef in favor of imports from remote regions is contrary not only
25 to good sense but to the best interests of the military estab-
26 lishment, the State of Alaska, and the country as a whole;

27 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
28 Second Legislature, Second Session assembled that the Department
29 of Defense be respectfully urged to take whatever measures are

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1 necessary to enable the military establishment in Alaska to make
2 use of local beef, either by providing inspection facilities, or
3 by amending the regulation to permit the use of inspection
4 facilities of the state; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that the armed forces then be urged to
6 make the fullest possible use of local supply; and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to
8 the Alaska Delegation in Congress; the Honorable Robert S.
9 McNamara, Secretary of Defense; the Honorable Fred Korth,
10 Secretary of the Navy; the Honorable Elvis J. Stahr, Jr.,
11 Secretary of the Army; and to the Honorable Eugene M. Zuckert,
12 Secretary of the Air Force.

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