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IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE
AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

Relating to the Act of Congress of
January 21, 1929 granting 100,000
acres of land for the support and
maintenance of the University of Alaska.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE IN SECOND LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION
ASSEMBLED:

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Unites States by Act of January
21, 1929 (48 USCA 354(a)) did grant to the Territory of Alaska
100,000 acres of land for the support and maintenance of the Alaska
Agricultural College and School of Mines and did confirm said
grant to the State of Alaska by the Alaska Statehood Act of July 3,
1958; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska by Ch. 34,
SLA 1929, did accept the grant of lands and designate the Board of
Trustees of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines to
select the lands granted and to sell or lease the same and cover
the proceeds into the Territorial Treasury, which said designation
was confirmed to the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska
as successor to the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Agricultural
College by Ch. 49, SLA 1935; and

WHEREAS, the restrictions contained in the original grant by
the United States to the Territory are still in full force and
effect and severe in nature, providing that proceeds of sale or
lease of lands must be placed in a special fund in the State
Treasury and invested by the State and further providing that only

1 the income and not the principal from the invested funds shall be
2 made available for the support and maintenance of the University
3 of Alaska, and further providing that said income shall not be
4 applied directly or indirectly under any pretense whatever to the
5 purchase, erection, preservation or repair of any building or
6 buildings; and

7 WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University is the
8 proper agency of the state government to determine the investment
9 or use of the proceeds from the sale or lease of the lands granted
10 by the Act of January 21, 1939, for the benefit of the University;

11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second
12 Legislature, First Session assembled, that the United States
13 Congress is respectfully urged to amend the Act of January 21, 1929,
14 48 USCA 354(a), to provide that the proceeds from the sale or
15 lease of lands granted thereunder be invested or used by the
16 Board of Regents of the University of Alaska in whatever manner
17 it deems to be for the best interests of the University; and be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
19 the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the
20 Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the Senate; the Honorable
21 Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Chair-
22 man of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee of the House
23 of Representatives; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable
24 Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and to the Honorable
25 Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska, urging all said
26 persons to support legislation carrying out the intent of this
27 resolution.
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