

BY SENATE RESOURCES  
COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a study of the problem of  
6 nonresident commercial fishing.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE IN SECOND LEGISLATURE, FIRST SESSION  
8 ASSEMBLED, THE HOUSE CONCURRING:

9 WHEREAS, the commercial fishery resources of Alaska are vital  
10 to the prosperity of the state and the welfare of many of its  
11 inhabitants; and

12 WHEREAS, the productivity of the commercial fishery resources  
13 is dependent upon the proper management of these resources; and

14 WHEREAS, during years of poor commercial fishing nonresident  
15 fishermen, often with large quantities of fishing gear, seriously  
16 deplete Alaska's fishery resources; and

17 WHEREAS, this results in low yields for Alaska fishermen who,  
18 in many instances, are completely dependent on fishing to obtain  
19 their daily subsistence; and

20 WHEREAS, this further results in a sub-standard of living for  
21 many Alaskans, and expensive state welfare programs; and

22 WHEREAS, Alaska fishermen are highly individualistic and wish  
23 to provide for their own welfare;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in Second Legislature, First  
25 Session assembled, the House concurring, that the Legislative  
26 Council is directed to make a study concerning the effects of  
27 commercial fishing by nonresidents, and to make recommendations to  
28 the Second Session of the Second Alaska Legislature as to possible  
29 approaches to solving this state problem.