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IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR LOGAN

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

Relating to amendment of the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act.

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

WHEREAS, an effective program of research and development of domestic fisheries resources is of fundamental importance to Alaska as well as many other states; and

WHEREAS, the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act (P.L. 466, 83rd Congress) as amended by the Fish and Wildlife Service Act of 1956, was designed, through the use of federal funds, to promote the free flow of domestically produced fishery products in commerce and to conduct biological, technological, or other research pertaining to American fisheries; and

WHEREAS, the conduct of biological, technological, or other research pertaining to the management of the fisheries should be delegated to the states which have the responsibility for the management of their respective fisheries; and

WHEREAS, the states have a nucleus of qualified, competent personnel to handle their fishery research problems but have been limited in their activities by a lack of finances; and

WHEREAS, the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act does not presently insure state commercial fisheries research participation on a continuing basis; and

WHEREAS, under the Pittman-Robertson (50 Stat. 917) and Dingell-Johnson (64 Stat. 430) programs, whereby federal funds are

1 given directly to the states, which have the responsibility for the
2 management of the fish and game recreational resources, a suc-
3 cessful precedent has been established for cooperation on domestic
4 fisheries research;

5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in
6 Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Congress is
7 urged to amend the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act, as amended, to provide
8 that a percentage of the monies accruing under the Kennedy-
9 Saltonstall Act be apportioned to the states on an equitable
10 formula basis; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to
12 the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States;
13 the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and the
14 Alaska delegation to Congress.

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