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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a study of communi-  
6 cation facilities for citizens  
7 who desire to communicate with  
8 their legislators.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CON-  
10 CURRING:

11 WHEREAS, for the democratic process to operate at its opti-  
12 mum, the people of the state must be able to communicate freely  
13 with their elected representatives; and

14 WHEREAS, because of the distances involved in Alaska, it is  
15 difficult and expensive for a person to communicate with his  
16 representatives in the legislature during a legislative session;  
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18 WHEREAS, the state now leases teletype services between major  
19 cities for a nominal cost; and

20 WHEREAS, if these teletype services were made available to  
21 the people during a legislative session for communicating with  
22 their representatives to the legislature, it might be possible to  
23 alleviate the existing communication problem;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed to  
25 study the feasibility of making the state's leased teletype  
26 service available to the public during a legislative session, for  
27 the purpose of communicating with the members of the legislature  
28 who represent them; and be it

29 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council report the

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1 conclusions of its study, with recommendations, to the members of  
2 the legislature at the beginning of the 1964 legislative session.  
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