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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a compilation of studies on
6 the proposed Rampart Dam project.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE SENATE CON-
8 CURRING:

9 WHEREAS, there is opposition even in Alaska to the construc-
10 tion of the proposed Rampart Dam; and

11 WHEREAS, this opposition stems from concern over destruction
12 of salmon, waterfowl, and wildlife habitats, as well as from per-
13 sons opposed to the inundation of vast areas of unknown mineral
14 potential; and

15 WHEREAS, native villages facing prospective flooding have
16 submitted petitions protesting this project; and

17 WHEREAS, thorough studies of the adverse as well as of the
18 beneficial aspects should be carefully weighed one against the
19 other; and

20 WHEREAS, some of these studies are now under way but not yet
21 completed; and

22 WHEREAS, until these studies have been completed and evaluated
23 it is impossible to determine with any degree of assurance that
24 the benefits outweigh the adverse aspects; and

25 WHEREAS, without such assurances it seems unlikely that
26 necessary Congressional support for this stupendous project will
27 be forthcoming;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is directed to
29 compile the results of these studies and to make them available to

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1 all members of the Legislature so that they may be able to
2 intelligently evaluate both the beneficial and detrimental impact
3 of the proposed Rampart Dam on Alaska's mineral, wildlife, and
4 human resources.

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