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Offered: 3/12/64
Referred: Rules

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 46
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 Relating to appropriate federal
6 action to protect the interests
7 and rights of persons and villages
8 affected by the Rampart Dam Hydro-
9 electric Project.
10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
11 WHEREAS, the proposed Rampart Dam hydroelectric power project
12 is a project of vital concern to the Nation and the State of Alaska;
13 and
14 WHEREAS, studies are proceeding to determine the feasibility
15 of construction of this project and the Legislature wishes to make
16 known that it is cognizant of the effect of the construction and
17 completion of this project on the people and villages now occupying
18 the area to be flooded for the reservoir; and
19 WHEREAS, it is the urgent desire of the Legislature that the
20 federal agencies concerned with the project take immediate action
21 for studies necessary to determine the means for the relocation,
22 reimbursement, and the protection of rights of the people and
23 villages concerned and that provision be made for the following:
24 1. Each village to be relocated at a site agreed upon
25 by the inhabitants of the village;
26 2. All church, business and organizational edifices
27 located at the original village site be relocated at or near
28 the new village site;
29 3. Priority in employment for the clearing of the

1 reservoir site and other construction work on the hydro-
2 electric project be given to the village and rural population
3 now occupying the affected area and that immediate steps be
4 taken to qualify these people for employment on the general
5 project;

6 4. Rules and regulations regarding labor be waived in
7 the employment of local inhabitants on the dam project and
8 that jobs be assigned on the basis of physical ability to
9 perform the work assigned; and

10 5. The villages affected by the construction of said
11 dam shall be given first priority for such timber cleared
12 from Rampart Dam Basin as may be reasonably used by them for
13 local construction and firewood.

14 BE IT RESOLVED that the Federal Government, through the
15 Department of the Interior, is respectfully and urgently requested
16 to proceed with the necessary studies and action to accomplish the
17 goals of this resolution; and to provide the Legislature and the
18 villagers involved with precise information and assurances as to
19 what will be done for said villagers; and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to
21 the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States;
22 the Honorable John W. McCormack, Speaker of the House of Repre-
23 sentatives; the Honorable Carl Hayden, President Pro Tempore of
24 the Senate; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the
25 Interior; the Honorable W. Willard Wirtz, Secretary of Labor; the
26 Honorable Floyd E. Dominy, Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation;
27 the Honorable Philleo Nash, Commissioner of Indian Affairs; the
28 Honorable Clarence F. Pautzke, Commissioner, Fish and Wildlife
29 Service; the Honorable Robert L. Bennett, Alaska Area Director,

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1 Bureau of Indian Affairs; and the members of the Alaska Delegation
2 in Congress.

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