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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the installation of  
6 a ferry for hauling ore across  
7 the Copper River.

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

10 WHEREAS the development of the mining potential of the  
11 McCarthy District would contribute to the continuing economic  
12 growth of the State of Alaska; and

13 WHEREAS copper ore in the McCarthy District is ready to be  
14 marketed but the only existing method for transporting the ore  
15 across the Copper River is by air; and

16 WHEREAS the high cost of air transportation of ore hinders  
17 the development of the copper resources, as well as other re-  
18 sources of the district; and

19 WHEREAS it is considered that the installation of a ferry  
20 on the Copper River would reduce the cost of transporting ore and  
21 therefore encourage development of the district;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is requested to direct the  
23 Department of Public Works to install, at an appropriate location  
24 in the vicinity of Chitina, a current-operated ferry of suitable  
25 capacity for hauling ore across the Copper River.