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2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to vision and hearing
6 equipment at the Pioneers' Home.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

8 WHEREAS the guests of the Pioneers' Home are sharply limited in their
9 physical activity owing to the inroads of age and the natural limitations
10 imposed by ice, snow and inclement weather; and

11 WHEREAS depressing boredom can only be avoided by having full use of
12 one's vision and hearing; and

13 WHEREAS proper medical examinations, testing of vision and hearing, and
14 associated aids connected with vision and hearing are only sporadically
15 available from itinerant physicians; and

16 WHEREAS the Pioneers' Home does not have the proper equipment, includ-
17 ing equipment necessary for the maintenance and repair of glasses, other
18 optical aids, and hearing aids;

19 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct
20 the Department of Health and Welfare to compile a list of modern hearing and
21 vision equipment costing less than \$10,000 by consulting with licensed Alaska
22 ophthalmologists and otolaryngologists, and which would be available on the
23 market for purchase by the state for use at the Pioneers' Home; and be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health and Welfare report its
25 findings to the Fifth Legislature, Second Session, within 10 days after it
26 convenes.

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