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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the acquisition and use of
6 facilities at Whittier for a state
7 penitentiary.

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

9 WHEREAS the State of Alaska does not have a centralized penal in-
10 stitution; and

11 WHEREAS developments in recent months in Anchorage and Juneau have
12 shown the inadequacy of the state's existing detention system; and

13 WHEREAS the cost to the state of building a completely new penal
14 institution would be excessive; and

15 WHEREAS the already existing federal surplus facilities at Whittier
16 include well constructed buildings, workshops, and recreational areas that
17 could easily and with great savings to the state be converted into a state
18 penitentiary;

19 BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully requests
20 the Governor to direct the Department of Health and Welfare to make a
21 complete study of the feasibility of purchasing the surplus facilities at
22 Whittier from the federal government and using them in the construction of
23 a state penitentiary, and to report its findings and recommendations to
24 the Fifth Legislature, Second Session.