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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Requesting a study of criminal

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sentences by the state judiciary.

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

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WHEREAS there is a strong feeling on the part of many people of the  
9 state, as reflected by their representatives in the legislature, that the  
10 Alaska judiciary is being too lenient in its sentencing by imposing too  
11 many suspended sentences and too many sentences that are not sufficiently  
12 severe; and

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WHEREAS the growing concern of these people promotes fear and detracts  
14 from the support of and faith in the judicial system;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature respectfully requests the Chief  
16 Justice of the Supreme Court to undertake a study of the present sentencing  
17 practices of all courts of the state and conduct a seminar for all judges  
18 and justices of the state for the purposes of expressing to them the  
19 disapprobation of the people, of analyzing current sentencing practice and  
20 and theory and of bringing to all parties concerned a greater understanding  
21 of criminal sentencing and procedure; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chief Justice report his findings, conclu-  
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24 Session of the Sixth Legislature.

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