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COMMITTEE ON FISHERIES

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 59

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to Alaska fishery resources.

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

7 WHEREAS the fishing industry constitutes a very important part of the
8 economy of Alaska and the growth, modernization, and diversification of the
9 industry is necessary for the progress of the state; and

10 WHEREAS Alaska fisheries are threatened by the influx of the large
11 foreign fishing fleets; and

12 WHEREAS the United States now imports more than 70 per cent of its
13 seafood products consumed in this country; and

14 WHEREAS any action which would make the harvesting of the fisheries
15 resources off the coast of Alaska less costly to the foreign fleets would
16 represent a stumbling block in the path of the state's progress; and

17 WHEREAS, while Alaska encourages foreign investment and looks with
18 favor on foreign facilities built in the state using Alaska labor and
19 resources, it must still protest any action by the United States Department
20 of State which would permit foreign fishing vessels and crews, other than
21 Canadian which are exempted by international treaty, to use any Alaska port
22 for fuel, water, rest and recreation purposes or for the delivery for ship-
23 ment or processing of fish caught by these same vessels;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of the United States is
25 respectfully requested to refuse access to Alaska ports for foreign fishing
26 vessels, other than Canadian which are exempted by international treaty, for
27 purposes of taking on fuel and water, for rest and recreation and shipping
28 or processing of fish.

29 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B.

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1 Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary
2 of State; the Honorable Henry Jackson and the Honorable Warren Magnuson,
3 U. S. Senators; the Honorable Tom Pelly, U. S. Representative; Donald L.
4 McKernan, Special Assistant to Secretary of State; Harold E. Crowther,
5 Director of the U. S. Bureau of Commercial Fisheries; and the Honorable
6 E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U. S. Senators, and the
7 Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska
8 delegation in Congress.

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