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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 9

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the subject of Alaska
6 history as taught in the schools of
7 the state.

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

9 WHEREAS the history of Alaska is one which is colorful and exciting and
10 of great importance to a student of history both for itself and as it re-
11 lates to United States and world history; and

12 WHEREAS the teaching of Alaska history is not properly emphasized and
13 is sketchily taught in the public schools of the state; and

14 WHEREAS the textbooks which treat the history of Alaska are insufficient
15 to present a valuable and relevant understanding of the state's history and
16 that of its peoples; and

17 WHEREAS the teachers who presently instruct public school pupils in the
18 history of Alaska are inadequately prepared to teach the subject; and

19 WHEREAS it is of the utmost importance for effective understanding, on
20 the part of the student, and for high quality presentation, on the part of
21 the teacher, of the history of Alaska, to have a good, well-rounded Alaska
22 history textbook, just as it is important to stimulate pupil and teacher
23 interest in the subject in the elementary and secondary schools of the state

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the
25 Department of Education to conduct a study to determine the feasibility and
26 cost of commissioning the writing of an adequate history of Alaska, to de-
27 termine the best means by which interest, of student and teacher alike, in
28 the history of Alaska may be stimulated and to report its findings and rec-
29 ommendations to the Second Session of the Sixth State Legislature.