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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY BANFIELD

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 71

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the Snettisham Hydroelectric
6 project in Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS Congress in the Flood Control Act of 1962 authorized construc-
9 tion of the 70,000 kilowatt Snettisham hydroelectric project near Juneau and
10 appropriated construction funds in fiscal years 1967, 1968 and 1969; and

11 WHEREAS the Corps of Engineers has established a reasonable and
12 economical construction schedule placing the first generator in service
13 October 15, 1972; and

14 WHEREAS the first contractor has completed the boat harbor, airfield,
15 access roads and has essentially completed the construction camp and all
16 necessary site preparation for the main contract and the main contract is
17 ready for bid calls; and

18 WHEREAS the electric power is urgently needed both in the Juneau areas
19 and by other applicants in the project area; and

20 WHEREAS any delay in the main contract would result in considerable,
21 unwarranted cost increases on account of added interest during construction,
22 cost of caretaker activities during the period of delay, loss of revenues as
23 well as the economic harm to the area and cost for emergency power generating
24 equipment for use during the period of delay; and

25 WHEREAS the prospective reduction in the level of construction funds in
26 the fiscal year 1970 budget from \$8.6 to \$2.2 million would almost certainly
27 force a one year delay;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth Legislature of the State of Alaska
29 respectfully petitions the Congress of the United States and the U.S. Army

1 corps of Engineers to appropriate and budget funds at the level necessary to
2 keep the Snettisham project on schedule.

3 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to Lt. General William F.
4 Cassidy, Chief of Engineers, U.S. Army; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and
5 the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock
6 U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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