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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 HOUSE CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 31
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the United States Coast
6 Guard to delay enforcement of
7 certain licensing provisions.

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

9 WHEREAS United States Coast Guard rules and regulations require licensed
10 officers on ships of over 200 tons; and

11 WHEREAS this regulation has not been enforced in the past years on
12 fishing vessels in Alaska's waters; and

13 WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard has stated the intent of enforcing
14 these regulations upon fishing vessels; and

15 WHEREAS few fishermen and ship crews now hold licenses; and

16 WHEREAS immediate strict enforcement of this licensing provision would
17 immediately tie up all vessels of over 200 tons; and

18 WHEREAS this would be an extreme hardship on the fishermen and fishing
19 industry as a whole; and

20 WHEREAS a maritime academy for training of fishermen to meet United
21 States Coast Guard requirements is being considered by the state;

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixth State Legislature that the United States
23 Coast Guard is urged to delay the enforcement of the subject regulations in
24 order to allow fishermen the opportunity to comply.

25 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John Volpe,
26 Secretary, Department of Transportation; Admiral Willard J. Smith, Commandant,
27 U. S. Coast Guard; Rear Admiral Robert E. Hammond, Commander, 17th Coast
28 Guard District; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike
29 Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U.S.

1 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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