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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 84

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the United States Customs  
6 personnel stationed at the Internation-  
7 al Airports in Alaska.

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

9 WHEREAS the foreign or American traveller who enters or leaves the  
10 United States through an International Airport in Alaska is immediately  
11 struck by the poor quality of the personnel employed by the United States  
12 government as customs officials; and

13 WHEREAS these customs agents are tactless, discourteous and arrogant  
14 in their dealings with the travelling public; and

15 WHEREAS United States Customs personnel assigned to the International  
16 Airports in Alaska demonstrate a slovenly personal appearance; and

17 WHEREAS the United States government and its citizens should be  
18 appalled at having these people engaged in such a sensitive and important  
19 public service; and

20 WHEREAS these customs officials do little to inspire the confidence  
21 of either foreigners or American citizens in the government of the  
22 United States and they are in fact an impediment to healthy foreign rela-  
23 tions;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska requests  
25 the United States government to replace its customs personnel stationed at  
26 the International Airports in Alaska or require that they attend a courtesy  
27 school with a viewpoint to drastically improving their manners, behavior  
28 and personal appearance.

29 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.

1 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable David M. Kennedy,  
2 Secretary of the Treasury; the Honorable Myles J. Ambrose, Commissioner,  
3 Bureau of Customs; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike  
4 Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Repre-  
5 sentative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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