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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to an Alaska commission on
6 venereal disease prevention and
7 control.

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

9 WHEREAS outside of the common cold, venereal disease is the number one
10 communicable disease in the United States; and

11 WHEREAS Alaska currently has the highest rate of venereal disease per
12 capita of any state in the union which indicates an acute health problem in
13 Alaska; and

14 WHEREAS the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare
15 has created a National Commission on Venereal Disease to consider the problem
16 of syphilis and gonorrhoea from a national standpoint; and

17 WHEREAS a similar commission on the state level would make it possible
18 for all medical and health interests in the state to consolidate efforts
19 and activities devoted to the eradication of venereal disease in Alaska; and

20 WHEREAS the creation of such a commission would enable the state to
21 work directly with the national commission and would be an indication of
22 our sincere concern over the continued spread of venereal disease in Alaska
23 and elsewhere;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Governor is respect-
25 fully requested to establish an Alaska Commission on Venereal Disease Preven-
26 tion and Control at the earliest possible time and as an arm of the State
27 Comprehensive Health Planning Advisory Council.

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