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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE LABOR AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a study of certain aspects  
6 of Alaska's workman's compensation  
7 laws.

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

9 WHEREAS Alaska's experience has been that each time workman's compensa-  
10 tion benefits are increased, the premium rates are also increased; and

11 WHEREAS, although a nominal increase in premium cost is to be expected  
12 as benefits are increased, there have been numerous complaints that premium  
13 increases have been extremely high, and do not bear a fair relation to losses  
14 experienced; and

15 WHEREAS some persons have suggested that premium rates would be lower  
16 and more equitable if we were to institute a state operated fund system; and

17 WHEREAS the Legislature at this juncture, lacks the benefit of knowledge  
18 of what other states have done and are doing in this regard;

19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Legislative Council  
20 is directed to conduct a survey of how other states are dealing with the  
21 problem of keeping premium rates at an acceptable level in light of the  
22 general trend toward increases in benefits, with particular attention being  
23 paid to those states that have state operated funds as opposed to the Alaska  
24 system; and be it

25 FURTHER RESOVLED that the Council shall present its report to the Sev-  
26 enth Legislature, Second Session, together with any recommendations it may  
27 have concerning this matter.  
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