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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 30

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the transportation of
6 goods in rural Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS the many Alaskans who reside in what is known as rural Alaska
9 have no transportation system upon which they can depend for movement of
10 goods of any sort; and

11 WHEREAS what carriers there are, both marine and air, that provide for
12 the transport of freight throughout much of Alaska operate on an unscheduled
13 basis; and

14 WHEREAS aside from the inconvenience caused by the frequent delay of
15 the arrival of goods, the cost of shipping items, large or small, to and
16 from rural Alaska is so inflated as to make it totally economically unfeasible
17 for many persons to obtain ordinary and conventional merchandise; and

18 WHEREAS the people of rural Alaska have not met with success in dealing
19 with "outside" freight carriers, the federal government, or others included
20 in their effort to establish a viable transportation system for rural
21 Alaska capable of the regular movement of goods at an economically feasible
22 cost;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Legislative Council
24 is requested within the limits of its appropriations to conduct a study of
25 the difficulty of transporting goods to and from the isolated communities of
26 Alaska in cooperation with all appropriate state agencies with the objective
27 of recommending to the First Session of the Eighth Legislature a course of
28 action for the establishment of a viable transportation system as especially
29 pertains to the movement of freight for rural Alaska.