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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51 *am*

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to a study of the rami-
6 fications of a statewide property
7 tax.

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

9 WHEREAS legislation is pending before the legislature which, if enacted,
10 would levy a real and personal property tax in the state with certain exemp-
11 tions provided for; and

12 WHEREAS the proposed legislation further provides for a revenue-sharing
13 program for distribution of the net proceeds of the proposed tax to unorgan-
14 ized boroughs; and

15 WHEREAS at the present time many questions remain concerning estimates
16 of how much revenue such a tax would create; how much taxable property there
17 is, especially in those areas comprising the unorganized borough; how much it
18 would cost to administer the tax collections and distribution; and additional-
19 ly, there is a lack of knowledge about the effects of many other aspects of
20 the proposed legislation; and

21 WHEREAS the only manner in which reasonably accurate information can be
22 garnered concerning these matters is through thorough study and evaluation
23 of the unorganized borough;

24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Legislative Council
25 is requested to direct and oversee a study of the practical effects of the
26 proposed legislation (HB 597), to be conducted by the Local Affairs Agency,
27 the Department of Revenue, the Department of Administration, and all other
28 appropriate agencies and persons as determined by the council, and drawing
29 also on the Institute of Social, Economic and Government Research, University

1 of Alaska; and be it

2 FURTHER RESOLVED that in addition to directing and coordinating the
3 work of the executive departments involved, the council shall do everything
4 it considers necessary for the successful, impartial analysis of this legis-
5 lation, including the holding of public hearings in the unorganized borough;
6 and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council submit its report, includ-
8 ing a summary of what the effects of this legislation would be on the
9 unorganized borough, within the first 10 days of the First Session of the
10 Eighth Legislature.

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