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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 81

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to a Joint State-Federal
6 Natural Resources and Land Use
7 Planning Commission.

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

9 WHEREAS there is pending before the Alaska Legislature legislation
10 which would, with Congressional acceptance, create a Joint State-Federal
11 Natural Resources and Land Use Planning Commission for Alaska; and

12 WHEREAS the proposed commission would have among its functions the
13 determination of natural resources and land use planning in Alaska over
14 both state and federal lands; and

15 WHEREAS the proposal responds to a recommendation made to the President
16 and the Congress by the Public Land Law Review Commission; and

17 WHEREAS joint state and federal land use planning is vital to the
18 state's development, not only with regard to those selections the state is
19 entitled to, but also because Alaskans are concerned with federal management
20 of the lands remaining in federal ownership; and

21 WHEREAS the federal government does have a mutual interest in such a
22 proposal as almost one-half of the nation's federal land is in Alaska; and

23 WHEREAS the legislation pending before the state Legislature is expected
24 to receive expeditious approval, but the corresponding federal legislation
25 must be approved before full implementation of the proposal may begin;

26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the United States Congress
27 is urgently requested to take early favorable action on the pending legis-
28 lation before it which would authorize the federal government to join in
29 a Joint State-Federal Natural Resources and Land Use Planning Commission for

1 Alaska.

2 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Rogers C. B.
3 Morton, Secretary, Department of the Interior; the Honorable Robert P. Mayo,
4 Director, Bureau of the Budget; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, U. S. Senator
and Chairman of the Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; the
5 Honorable Wayne N. Aspinall, U. S. Representative and Chairman of the House
6 Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens
7 and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich,
8 U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.
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