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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE -- FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to jurors' fees under
6 Rule 17(a), Rules Governing the
7 Administration of all Courts.

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

9 WHEREAS, to promote the fair administration of justice and lessen the
10 burden of jury service on individuals, it is necessary to provide them a
11 reasonably adequate fee; and

12 WHEREAS, with the implementation of 1970 House Concurrent Resolution
13 No. 1, requesting the Alaska Supreme Court to raise jurors' fees from \$10
14 to \$21, the court has found that jury costs have reached too high a level;
15 and

16 WHEREAS Rule 17(a), Rules Governing the Administration of all Courts,
17 sets out the fee for jurors, and art. IV, sec. 15 of the Alaska Constitution
18 distinguishes between these rules and rules governing practice and procedure,
19 and the history of that section indicates that only the latter type may be
20 changed by the legislature;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Supreme Court is urged to amend
22 Rule 17(a), Rules Governing the Administration of all Courts, by reducing
23 the fee for persons called for jury service but actually serving less than
24 a full day in a trial or in a grand jury inquiry.

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