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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to slaughterhouse facilities
6 on the Seward Peninsula.

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

8 WHEREAS a significant new development of the Alaska reindeer industry
9 would benefit all the people of Alaska, by providing a major source of food
10 and income to its residents; and

11 WHEREAS there are presently approximately 10,000 reindeer on the
12 northern part of the Seward Peninsula near Deering, and an additional 9,000
13 reindeer on the remainder of the Seward Peninsula; and

14 WHEREAS slaughterhouse facilities in these areas would provide an
15 efficient means for thinning out overgrazing herds; and

16 WHEREAS a new industry in these areas would do much to alleviate the
17 severe poverty; and

18 WHEREAS the demand for reindeer meat in Westward Alaska now exceeds
19 the amount that can be supplied; and

20 WHEREAS the Wholesome Meat Act of 1967 requires a certified slaughter-
21 house facility for marketing meat to Washington and other areas in the
22 contiguous United States;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is
24 respectfully requested to direct the Departments of Natural Resources and
25 Economic Development to cooperatively conduct a feasibility study of building
26 slaughterhouse facilities at appropriate locations on the northern and
27 southern parts of the Seward Peninsula; and be it

28 FURTHER RESOLVED that the resulting study be transmitted to the Seventh
29 Legislature at the commencement of the Second Session.