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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

Relating to the establishment of a law center, including a law school in Alaska.

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

WHEREAS Alaska stands virtually alone as a state that currently does not offer the opportunity of a legal education to its citizens; and

WHEREAS there exists in Alaska no facilities or established programs for continuing legal education for members of the profession; and

WHEREAS the need for at least paraprofessionals trained in certain areas is becoming more apparent each day; and

WHEREAS there exists in Alaska no basic research facilities for members of the profession; and

WHEREAS the creation of a law center which could offer all of the above and more would be unique in America, able to utilize innovative ideas and programs as well as offer traditional legal facilities and training; and

WHEREAS the concept of a law center has been discussed widely by members of the bench and bar and it has received favorable reactions; and

WHEREAS the establishment of such a center would upgrade the profession in every way and the citizens of Alaska would realize benefits heretofore unavailable;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Legislative Council is requested to undertake a study, in cooperation with the bar, and all other appropriate groups and persons, of the feasibility of the establishment of a law center, including a law school, in Alaska; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council issue its report together

with any recommendations it may have, to the Eighth Legislature - First Session.