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BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 67

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the prohibition of cer-
6 tain fishing vessels from American
7 waters.

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

9 WHEREAS Canada has instituted a gear limitation program whereby boats
10 are purchased by the Canadian government retiring them from Canada's over-
11 crowded fishing industry; and

12 WHEREAS the Canadian government auctions these boats to buyers, with a
13 term of the sale being that the vessels may never be utilized again in the
14 Canadian fisheries; and

15 WHEREAS Americans are able to purchase these boats from the Canadian
16 government at approximately thirty cents on the dollar and fish with them
17 in American waters; and

18 WHEREAS many of these boats have already been sold to Americans from
19 Washington and Southeast Alaska, thus adding to the already horrendous prob-
20 lems of Alaskans attempting to preserve and protect their fisheries; and

21 WHEREAS 800 more of these vessels are being scheduled for sale in the
22 immediate future;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the United States Congress
24 is urgently requested to enact, at the earliest possible time, legislation
25 which would prohibit the use of any fishing vessel in American waters if that
26 vessel is prohibited by terms of sale from being utilized in the fishing
27 industry of its country of origin.

28 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M.
29 Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable J.W. Fulbright, Chairman

1 Senate Committee on Foreign Relations; the Honorable Thomas E. Morgan,
2 Chairman, House Committee on Foreign Affairs; the Honorable Edward A.
3 Garmatz, Chairman, House Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries; and
4 to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators,
5 and the Honorable Nick Begich, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska
6 delegation in Congress.

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