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2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 30

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the Devil Canyon Project.

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

7 WHEREAS in 1961 the Secretary of the Interior approved a report by the
8 Commissioner of Reclamation regarding the feasibility of what is commonly
9 known as the Devil Canyon Project in Alaska; and

10 WHEREAS the proposed plan, as stated in 1961, was essentially a single-
11 purpose hydroelectric power development designed to meet present and
12 anticipated future power and energy requirements for domestic, municipal and
13 industrial purposes in Southcentral Alaska; and

14 WHEREAS it was also recognized at that time that the proposed project
15 was economically justifiable and that the project would be the catalyst to
16 spark the economic expansion of the Railbelt area; and

17 WHEREAS the Devil Canyon Project, if built, would be of great importance
18 to the State of Alaska, as well as the Nation;

19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Secretary of the
20 Interior is respectfully requested to direct the Commissioner of Reclamation
21 to immediately undertake a complete updating of the 1961 reclamation report
22 on the feasibility of the Devil Canyon Project, including a detailed report
23 on what environmental impact construction of the proposed facilities would
24 have.

25 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Rogers C. B.
26 Morton, Secretary, Department of the Interior; the Honorable James R. Smith,
27 Assistant Secretary, Water and Power Resources, Department of the Interior;
28 the Office of the Commissioner, Bureau of Reclamation; and to the Honorable
29 Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, members of the

1 Alaska delegation in Congress.

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