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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 42

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Urging the United States Congress to
6 take affirmative action on the
7 "Liberty Amendment".

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

9 WHEREAS an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, commonly
10 known as the "Liberty Amendment", has been before several sessions of
11 Congress and undoubtedly will be before the current session of Congress also;
12 and

13 WHEREAS the proposed amendment would prohibit the United States govern-
14 ment from engaging in any business, professional, commercial, financial or
15 industrial enterprise except as specified in the Constitution; and

16 WHEREAS the laws of the United States and of the various states would
17 be protected from abrogation by any foreign or domestic agreement; and

18 WHEREAS all activities of the United States which violate the proposed
19 amendment would, within three years of ratification of the amendment, be
20 required to be liquidated and the properties and affected facilities sold;
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22 WHEREAS the proposed amendment would further provide that within three
23 years from ratification of the amendment the Sixteenth Amendment to the
24 Constitution of the United States would stand repealed and thereafter Con-
25 gress could not levy taxes on personal income, estates, or gifts; and

26 WHEREAS adoption of the "Liberty Amendment" would reduce the national
27 debt, reduce annual spending by the federal government, and the revenues from
28 excise taxes on goods, services, and corporate incomes would be greatly
29 increased, all to the effect of cancelling the need for any revenue from

1 personal income, estate, or gift taxes;

2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it respectfully
3 requests the Congress of the United States to propose to the people the
4 "Liberty Amendment" to the Constitution of the United States or in the alter-
5 native to call a convention for that purpose as provided for in Article V
6 of the Constitution of the United States.

7 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable James O.
8 Eastland, President pro tempore of the United States Senate; the Honorable
9 Carl Albert, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; and to
10 the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators,
11 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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