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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 101

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to a state shellfish plan to
6 allow commercial harvest and interstate
7 shipment of Alaska clams.

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

9 WHEREAS there is considerable economic benefit to Alaskans to be realized
10 from the commercial harvesting and interstate shipment of Alaska clam
11 resources; and

12 WHEREAS such harvest and shipment cannot begin until a state shellfish
13 plan has been approved by the Food and Drug Administration; and

14 WHEREAS various clam research programs intended to develop and promote
15 approval of a state shellfish plan have been funded for many years with very
16 little apparent progress toward their objective;

17 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the concerned state
18 agencies are strongly urged to increase their cooperative efforts to gain
19 certification for all marketable clams, including geoducks, for interstate
20 commerce; and be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct
22 the Department of Health and Social Services, the Department of Fish and Game
23 and the Department of Environmental Conservation, in cooperation with the
24 University of Alaska, to furnish a consolidated progress report to the Ninth
25 Legislature, First Session; and be it

26 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Food and Drug Administration, particularly the
27 Northeast Consulting Services, is respectfully requested to do everything in
28 its power to expedite this important program for Alaska.

29 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Alexander M.

1 Schmidt, Commissioner, Food and Drug Administration; Dr. Robert W. Hiatt,
2 President of the University of Alaska; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and
3 the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young,
4 U. S. Representative, members of the Alaskan delegation.

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