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Referred: Health, Education
and Social Services and
Judiciary

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 39

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to a study of adoption laws in
6 Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS adoption procedures which protect the rights of all persons
9 involved are of the greatest necessity; and

10 WHEREAS every year numerous Alaskans, both adults and minors, are
11 affected by an adoption proceeding; and

12 WHEREAS adoption creates and terminates legal and blood relationship
13 which literally alters the lives of everyone involved; and

14 WHEREAS there is currently before the Alaska Legislature a proposed new
15 comprehensive adoption code for the State of Alaska; and

16 WHEREAS the permanency of adoption coupled with the oftentimes serious
17 emotional and social upheavals occasioned by the act dictates that before
18 comprehensive changes in our present procedures are adopted, all facets of
19 the matter should be thoroughly studied; and

20 WHEREAS in Alaska adoption procedures as they might affect and change
21 cultural patterns and customs are of especial importance to many Alaskans;

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Legislative
23 Council is requested to undertake an interim study of Alaska's current
24 adoption laws and procedures and the proposed new adoption code for the
25 purpose of recommending to the Ninth Legislature - First Session passage of
26 the proposed code; and be it

27 FURTHER RESOLVED that the council shall present to the legislature a
28 detailed analysis of the present and proposed laws relating to adoption with
29 its recommendations, and said recommendations may be in bill form.