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Affairs Committee

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE COMMUNITY AND
REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 110

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the Village Safe Water Act.

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

7 WHEREAS the Village Safe Water Act was established in 1970 to develop
8 safe water systems and hygienic sewage waste disposal systems in rural
9 Alaska; and

10 WHEREAS the implementation of this Act has apparently been frustrated
11 due to the insufficient time and resources for comprehensive planning for
12 rural sanitation services; and

13 WHEREAS it is impossible to develop a satisfactory and potentially
14 successful implementation plan and construction strategy without adequate
15 planning; and

16 WHEREAS the Alaskan Native rural housing authorities are charged with
17 the responsibility of improving potable water supplies and assuring suitable
18 sewage waste collection, treatment, and disposal within their respective
19 regions; and

20 WHEREAS the Alaskan Native nonprofit regional associations have shown a
21 desire to assist the State of Alaska in implementing the Village Safe Water
22 Act through an advisory committee;

23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is re-
24 spectfully requested to direct the Department of Environmental Conservation
25 to convene the Village Safe Water Act Advisory Committee consisting of the
26 appropriate membership as designated by the twelve regional associations;
27 that the department with the direct assistance of the advisory committee
28 perform an analysis of the water and sewage disposal needs of all villages in
29 the state which qualify for the services under the Act; that with the needs

1 assessment, the department with the advice of the committee prioritize the
2 villages with respect to the level of services to be provided and scheduled
3 installation; that the department and committee agree to an implementation
4 strategy and schedule which will encumber general obligation bond funds and
5 additionally serve as a basis for a systematic biennial general obligation
6 bond request to satisfy the full implementation of the Village Safe Water
7 Act, AS 14.07; and be it

8 FURTHER RESOLVED that a report summarizing the progress of a needs
9 assessment, implementation plan, and funding strategy should be completed no
10 later than the first month of the Tenth Legislature, First Session, and
11 presented to the chairmen of the House and Senate Committees on Community and
12 Regional Affairs.

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