

1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 *CS* HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 45

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the exclusion of Alaska from

6 federal gun control legislation.

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

8 WHEREAS other states do not share the unique problems of Alaska relating  
9 to the possession of firearms; and

10 WHEREAS the possession and responsible use of firearms in Alaska has  
11 long been established; and

12 WHEREAS for many persons in Alaska the utilization of firearms is a  
13 necessity in their day-to-day living to provide for a subsistence way of  
14 life; and

15 WHEREAS many persons in the state engaged in outdoor recreational activ-  
16 ity must carry firearms for their own protection; and

17 WHEREAS these circumstances are not shared by other states for which  
18 strict gun control and registration may be very appropriate; and

19 WHEREAS adequate penalties for the commission of crimes with a dangerous  
20 weapon already exist in our state law;

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that Alaska be exempted  
22 from the restrictions and burdens imposed by any federal legislation relating  
23 to the possession of firearms.

24 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Gerald R. Ford,  
25 President of the United States; the Honorable Carl Albert, Speaker of the  
26 House of Representatives; the Honorable James O. Eastland, President Pro Tem-  
27 pore of the Senate; the Honorable Edward Levi, Attorney General of the United  
28 States; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S.  
29 Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the

1 Alaska delegation in Congress.

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