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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE LABOR AND MANAGE-  
MENT COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the United States Congress  
6 to increase the federal share of fund-  
7 ing for state occupational safety and  
8 health programs.

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

10 WHEREAS the State of Alaska is participating as an "18(b) plan" state in  
11 the occupational safety and health program; and

12 WHEREAS state employees must spend extended periods of time preparing  
13 periodic and special workload accomplishment and fiscal activity reports to  
14 comply with federal program requirements; and

15 WHEREAS the state must produce voluminous documents to demonstrate that  
16 state occupational safety and health standards are as effective as comparable  
17 federal standards; and

18 WHEREAS it appears that the federal Occupational Safety and Health Ad-  
19 ministration is considering providing fully funded consultative services in  
20 states which are not participating in the program while the Alaska program  
21 receives only 50 per cent federal funding for its consultative program; and

22 WHEREAS the state has had to align its occupational safety and health  
23 priorities according to federal guidelines even though some issues appear to  
24 have little relevance to the state; and

25 WHEREAS the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration costs  
26 would increase without state participation if the same level of coverage was  
27 provided to Alaska employees;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature requests the Congress of the  
29 United States to increase federal funding for state Occupational Safety and

1 Health programs from 50 per cent to 75 per cent.

2 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to Occupational Safety and  
3 Health program designees in Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut,  
4 Hawaii, Indiana, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, North  
5 Carolina, Oregon, South Carolina, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virgin Islands,  
6 Washington, and Wyoming; to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike  
7 Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative,  
8 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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