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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 71

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to proposed increases in student
6 fees at the University of Alaska.

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

8 WHEREAS it has been proposed that the Regents of the University of
9 Alaska increase student fees to meet shortfalls in revenue or appropriations
10 to operate the University for the current or future fiscal years; and

11 WHEREAS it has been the long-standing policy of the state to afford its
12 residents an opportunity to obtain an education in the state university
13 system, including the community colleges, at minimal cost; that policy con-
14 tinues to be one of the most salutary features of Alaska's system of higher
15 education; and

16 WHEREAS the student fee increase proposal runs counter to the strong
17 recommendation of the President of the University that student fees at the
18 community colleges gradually be reduced, and ultimately eliminated, over the
19 next several years;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that it is the sense of the Alaska State Legislature that
21 an increase in student fees at the University of Alaska, including the com-
22 munity colleges, to meet annual operating costs caused by shortfalls in
23 revenue from any source would seriously diminish educational opportunity
24 within this state, especially among those who can least afford it.

25 COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the members of the Board of
26 Regents and to the President of the University of Alaska.