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1 IN THE SENATE

BY RAY AND CROFT

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the cost of Snettisham
6 power.

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

8 WHEREAS the Snettisham hydroelectric project's transmission line must be
9 completely rerouted and will not be completed until at least late in 1976; and

10 WHEREAS it has been announced that the rerouting will mean an increase
11 in cost to the consumers of Snettisham power of approximately five per cent;
12 and

13 WHEREAS the rerouting is due totally to the inappropriate placement and
14 construction of the transmission line to begin with by the Army Corps of
15 Engineers; and

16 WHEREAS to make the consumers of Snettisham power absorb the cost of
17 rerouting the transmission line is totally inequitable and unconscionable;
18 and

19 WHEREAS because the added costs are due solely to construction and
20 judgment errors made by the federal government, it is only fair that the
21 federal government should absorb the additional costs; and

22 WHEREAS legislation is currently pending before the United States Con-
23 gress which would require the federal government to fully absorb the addi-
24 tional costs of rerouting the transmission line;

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it urgently requests
26 the United States Congress to take swift affirmative action and pass legisla-
27 tion to force the federal government to absorb all costs attributable to the
28 rerouting of the Snettisham hydroelectric project's transmission line.

29 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Rogers C.B.

1 Morton, Secretary, Department of the Interior; the Honorable Jim House,
2 Alaska Power Administration; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Senate
3 Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; the Honorable James A. Haley, Chair-
4 man, House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; and to the Honorable Ted
5 Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators; and the Honorable Don
6 Young, U. S. Representative, members of Alaska's delegation in Congress.

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