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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 36

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to Supplemental Social Security

6 Income benefits.

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

8 WHEREAS during the last session of the United States Congress legisla-  
9 tion was introduced which, if passed, would have provided for the permanent  
10 exclusion as income of the \$100 a month Alaska Longevity Bonus in determining  
11 Supplemental Social Security Income benefits; and

12 WHEREAS at the present time the state has a federal waiver disallowing  
13 the longevity bonus as income, but this waiver will be terminated as of  
14 December 31, 1975 and it is not subject to renewal; and

15 WHEREAS, unless legislation exempting the Alaska Longevity Bonus income  
16 in determining Supplemental Social Security Income benefits is introduced  
17 and passed, the cost to the state will be approximately \$1,000,000 a year  
18 and will mean the loss of Medicaid for some 500 people; and

19 WHEREAS it is vital for numerous Alaskans that such legislation be  
20 enacted at the earliest possible time;

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the United States  
22 Congress is urgently requested to introduce and enact legislation which will  
23 exclude the Alaska Longevity Bonus income from being considered in deter-  
24 mining Supplemental Social Security Income benefits.

25 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Harrison A.  
26 Williams, Jr., Chairman, Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee; the  
27 Honorable Al Ullman, Chairman, House Ways and Means Committee; the Honorable  
28 John L. McClellan, Chairman, Senate Appropriations Committee; the Honorable  
29 George H. Mahon, Chairman, House Appropriations Committee; and to the

1 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the  
2 Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation  
3 in Congress.

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