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Referred: Health, Education and
Social Services

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 57

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Urging prohibition of the registration and
6 use of the pesticides 2, 4-D and 2, 4, 5-T.

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

8 WHEREAS a large body of scientific evidence suggests that the economic
9 poisons 2, 4-Dichlorophenoxyacetic Acid and 2, 4, 5-Trichlorophenoxyacetic
10 Acid commonly known as 2, 4-D and 2, 4, 5-T, respectively, have an adverse
11 effect on human beings, domestic animals and wildlife; and

12 WHEREAS there are no conditions under which these pesticides can be
13 used that will prevent injury to the general public; and

14 WHEREAS the Office of Pesticide Programs of the Environmental Protection
15 Agency, in compliance with the requirements of the Federal Environmental
16 Pesticide Control Act of 1972, as amended, must reevaluate all pesticides
17 and the risks they present to human beings, domestic animals and the
18 environment by October 21, 1977; and

19 WHEREAS the Office of Pesticide Programs is currently soliciting public
20 comment regarding the reregistration of 2, 4-D for use in the United States
21 as an herbicide and plant regulator;

22 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
23 the Office of Pesticide Programs within the Environmental Protection Agency
24 to cancel the registrations of 2, 4-D and 2, 4, 5-T; and be it

25 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature urges congressional
26 prohibition of the use of 2, 4-D and 2, 4, 5-T including prohibition of their
27 use by all federal agencies.

28 COPIES OF this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Gerald R. Ford,
29 President of the United States; the Honorable F. David Matthews, Secretary,

1 Department of Health, Education and Welfare; the Honorable Earl L. Butz,
2 Secretary, Department of Agriculture; the Honorable Alexander M. Schmidt, M.D.,
3 Commissioner of Food and Drugs; the Honorable John R. McGuire, Chief of the
4 Forest Service; the Honorable Russell E. Train, Administrator of the Environ-
5 mental Protection Agency; the Honorable R. F. Mountfort, Product Manager #23,
6 Office of Pesticide Programs, Environmental Protection Agency; and to the
7 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the
8 Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation
9 in Congress.

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