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Referred: Commerce

BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to lighterage rate increases.

6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

7 WHEREAS Arctic Lighterage Company, providing lighterage service between
8 ocean carriers and the beach in Nome and Kotzebue and in the rivers of north-
9 west Alaska, has recently filed with the Federal Maritime Commission and the
10 Interstate Commerce Commission a new tariff with increases in many rates of
11 approximately 100 per cent; and

12 WHEREAS rate increases of such magnitude are not justified by increases
13 in costs and would be contrary to the public interest; and

14 WHEREAS there is no necessity to foreshorten the time in which inter-
15 ested parties may respond because the service to which the increased rates
16 would apply does not begin until June;

17 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate respectfully requests the
18 Federal Maritime Commission to deny permission to Arctic Lighterage Company
19 to put the rate increases filed in FMC F#1 into effect on just one day's
20 notice, and to suspend those rate increases; and be it

21 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Interstate Commerce Commission vacate the
22 permission it granted Alaska Lighterage to put its increased rates into
23 effect on just one day's notice to allow time for affected parties to
24 respond to the increased rates, and to suspend the increased rates filed in
25 ICC #1.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Federal Maritime Commis-
27 sion; the Interstate Commerce Commission; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens
28 and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young,
29 U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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