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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 51

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Requesting the Governor to direct the
6 Department of Community and Regional
7 Affairs to conduct a study of the needs
8 of the people of the state.

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

10 WHEREAS it is the responsibility of government to serve the people and
11 provide for the common welfare in a manner which is fair and reasonable; and

12 WHEREAS the legislature is the branch of government particularly re-
13 sponsible for funding the projects which are required for the welfare of the
14 people of the state and for establishing the priority in which these projects
15 will be completed; and

16 WHEREAS the funds which pay for the projects necessary to meet the needs
17 of the people and the state are a limited resource; and

18 WHEREAS there are many needs in the state which demand large sums for
19 their adequate accomplishment, such as the capital move, health services,
20 transportation and telecommunications services, the University of Alaska,
21 revenue sharing, permanent fund, outer continental shelf impact, and others;
22 and

23 WHEREAS the limited amount of funding available in relation to the large
24 demand for projects requires that the legislature and all of the state
25 government exercise forethought and sensible prudence in establishing priori-
26 ties in funding these projects; and

27 WHEREAS at this time in our government's history, when people are more
28 aware than ever of the activities of the state government through increased
29 telecommunications services and increased concern over major issues, it is

1 particularly important that the government demonstrate that it is responsive
2 to the people's needs and circumspect about spending the people's money; and

3 WHEREAS there is a need to improve the situation of the unemployed popu-
4 lation of the state; and

5 WHEREAS there is a need to create incentive to develop the state's re-
6 sources;

7 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is
8 respectfully requested to direct the Department of Community and Regional
9 Affairs to conduct a study of the needs of the people of the state in an
10 effort to establish which legislative endeavors are most needed by the people
11 of the state; and be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Community and Regional Affairs
13 shall include projected cost estimates associated with capital improvements
14 and program expansion in its study.