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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 107

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting a cost and feasibility study on
6 the construction of a Knik Arm hydroelec-
7 tric power and transportation facility
8 connecting Anchorage and Willow.

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

10 WHEREAS hydroelectric power generation is a more environmentally sound
11 and efficient method for power generation; and

12 WHEREAS power generation is of major concern and need of southcentral
13 Alaska; and

14 WHEREAS the burgeoning population and economic development in the Cook
15 Inlet area requires an expanding transportation system for vehicular traffic;
16 and

17 WHEREAS the new state capital at Willow and associated development makes
18 a direct transportation link with the City of Anchorage essential; and

19 WHEREAS such a link would benefit Fairbanks and other interior popula-
20 tion centers as well; and

21 WHEREAS money saved through cheaper transportation of materials and
22 utility services will help greatly to offset construction costs; and

23 WHEREAS prior studies and tests on a Knik Arm bridge or causeway are
24 helpful but must be reevaluated and updated;

25 BE IT RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the
26 commissioner of transportation and public facilities to conduct a cost and
27 feasibility study for constructing a hydroelectric facility and bridge or
28 causeway across Knik Arm to connect Anchorage and Willow; and be it

29 FURTHER RESOLVED that the feasibility of including public utilities such

1 as water pipes and power transmission lines and related facilities be in-
2 cluded in the study.

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