

Introduced: 2/9/78
Referred: Community &
Regional Affairs

BY ANDERSON, AKERS, GUY,
OSTERBACK AND SCHAEFFER

1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 58

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the Bureau of Indian Affairs
6 and Bristol Bay.

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

8 WHEREAS the United States government, through the Bureau of Indian
9 Affairs of the Department of the Interior, provides Native Alaskans a wide
10 variety of needed services; and

11 WHEREAS the U.S. Congress, in enacting the Indian Self-Determination and
12 Education Assistance Act of 1975 recognized the importance of providing
13 Natives an effective voice in the planning and implementation of programs
14 designed to benefit Natives; and

15 WHEREAS, although many people eligible for participation in BIA programs
16 reside in the Bristol Bay area, the BIA has not established a regional office
17 in the area; and

18 WHEREAS the most meaningful forms of social and political organization
19 among Natives of the Bristol Bay area now exist at the village level;

20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
21 the Department of the Interior to establish a regional office in Bristol Bay;
22 and be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of the Interior and Alaska's con-
24 gressional delegation seek funds under the Indian Self-Determination Act and
25 the Indian Education Assistance Act to allow small villages to hire a village
26 leader and establish a village administrative office.

27 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Cecil D.
28 Andrus, Secretary of the Department of the Interior; and to the Honorable Ted
29 Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don

1 Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29