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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 72

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the North Pacific Fishery  
6 Management Council to consider recommend-  
7 ing management techniques which will  
8 encourage stable harvests.

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

10 WHEREAS the economies of Alaska's coastal communities are heavily depen-  
11 dent upon the fishing industry, which traditionally experiences great season-  
12 al fluctuations creating hardships during periods of low fish production; and

13 WHEREAS the Alaskan commercial fish industry has a significant economic  
14 impact on coastal communities since seven jobs ashore are usually needed in  
15 support of each fisherman at sea; and

16 WHEREAS a fish industry which harvests fishery products at a rate which  
17 will provide stable payrolls for fishermen and supporting coastal communities  
18 also benefits fisheries investors by providing a steady flow of capital,  
19 provides foreign and domestic markets with an even supply of fish products,  
20 and lessens the need for government assistance during slack seasons;

21 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
22 the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to consider recommending to the  
23 Secretary of Commerce periodic fishery harvest quotas, harvest zones, seasons,  
24 and other management techniques which, so far as biologically possible,  
25 encourage a stable harvest throughout the year.

26 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Juanita M.  
27 Kreps, Secretary of Commerce; each member of the North Pacific Fishery  
28 Management Council; the Honorable Richard Frank, Administrator, National  
29 Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; and the Honorable Terry L. Lietzell,

1 Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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