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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 38

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to studies of a pipeline for  
6 transportation of state-owned royalty gas.

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

8 WHEREAS the Alaska State Legislature fully supports the construction of  
9 an all-Alaska pipeline by the El Paso Natural Gas Company for transportation  
10 of all natural gas from the Prudhoe Bay field; but

11 WHEREAS there is a possibility that the proposed El Paso line may not  
12 win approval from the President and Congress; and

13 WHEREAS the state should be prepared to pursue an alternative course in  
14 the event of that disapproval; and

15 WHEREAS one promising alternative is construction of a pipeline between  
16 Prudhoe Bay and tidewater in southern Alaska for the transportation of state-  
17 owned royalty gas; and

18 WHEREAS a significant feature of such a line is the state's ability to  
19 set a tariff for royalty gas transported through it; and

20 WHEREAS it is essential that the state have information on the feasi-  
21 bility and profitability of such a line so that arrangements could be made  
22 for its construction;

23 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
24 the Governor to direct the Department of Revenue to conduct a study on the  
25 feasibility and profitability of a pipeline between Prudhoe Bay and tidewater  
26 in southern Alaska for transportation of state-owned royalty gas. The find-  
27 ings of the study should include but not necessarily be limited to

28 (1) the most beneficial route for such a line, giving due con-  
29 sideration to environmental factors;

- 1 (2) projected costs of construction, including life-cycle costs;  
2 (3) possible in-state beneficial uses of royalty gas;  
3 (4) revenues that could be expected to be generated by setting a  
4 tariff for royalty gas transported through the line; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that the findings of the study be submitted to

6 (1) the Alaska Royalty Oil and Gas Development Advisory Board as  
7 soon as they are completed; and

8 (2) each member of the legislature no later than October 1, 1977;  
9 and be it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
11 the Governor to direct the Alaska Royalty Oil and Gas Development Advisory  
12 Board to conduct a study in consultation with the Department of Revenue to  
13 identify and evaluate prospective builders of a natural gas pipeline between  
14 Prudhoe Bay and tidewater in southern Alaska; and be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED that the findings of the study conducted by the Alaska  
16 Royalty Oil and Gas Development Advisory Board be submitted to the legisla-  
17 ture no later than the end of the first week of the Second Session, Tenth  
18 Legislature.

19 A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to the Alaska Royalty Oil and  
20 Gas Development Advisory Board.

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