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IN THE SENATE BY HUBER

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 32

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

Relating to an equitable acreage classification of proposed Alaskan D-2 land withdrawals.

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

WHEREAS the United States is founded upon the principles of uniformity in application of the law and the prohibition of discrimination against both individuals and groups and is dedicated to the highest attainment in fairness and justice possible in mortal affairs; and

WHEREAS the citizens of each state shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities of citizens in the several states; and

WHEREAS the State of Alaska "is declared admitted into the Union on an equal footing with the other states in all respects whatever....";

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the citizens of Alaska insist on their inherent democratic right for fair and equal treatment as fellow citizens of the Nation, and urgently request the Congress of the United States, when considering the D-2 land withdrawals for inclusion in the four National Interest Land Classifications, namely, National Parks, National Forests, National Wildlife Refuges, and National Wild and Scenic Rivers, to limit the total area set aside in Alaska for each classification to that percentage of the total area of Alaska as the area now set aside in the contiguous 48 states for each classification bears to the total area of the contiguous 48 states; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that any area within these four National Interest Lands to be designated as wilderness areas be subject to the same percentage limit that the total wilderness area in the 48 contiguous states bears to the total

area of the contiguous 48 states.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter, President of the United States; the Honorable Cecil Andrus, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable Guy Martin, Assistant Secretary of Lands and Waters; the Honorable Herman E. Talmadge, Chairman of the Senate Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee; the Honorable James O. Eastland, Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Environment, Soil Conservation, and Forestry; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee; the Honorable Lee Metcalf, Chairman of the Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands and Resources; the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Chairman of the House Agriculture Committee; the Honorable James Weaver, Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Forests; the Honorable Jamie L. Whitten, Chairman of the House Subcommittee on Agriculture and Related Agencies; the Honorable Morris K. Udall, Chairman of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; the Honorable John F. Seiberling, Chairman of the House Subcommittee on General Oversight and Alaska Lands; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.