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BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 11

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the U. S. House Committee on
6 Education and Labor to retain the present
7 language of section 5(d)(2) of P.L. 81-874
8 as amended.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

10 WHEREAS section 5(d)(2) of Public Law 81-874, as amended, permits states
11 to deduct federal impact aid payments made to school districts from state aid
12 entitlements to equalize school district aid; and

13 WHEREAS Alaska's public school finance program, by deducting federal
14 impact aid payments from state aid entitlements with respect to certain dis-
15 tricts, provides for the equitable and reasonable financial support for all
16 school districts; and

17 WHEREAS the deduction of impact aid payments under section 5(d)(2) is
18 essential to the continued vitality of Alaska's school finance equalization
19 formula; and

20 WHEREAS the U. S. House Subcommittee on Elementary, Secondary and Voca-
21 tional Education has approved an amendment to section 5(d)(2) of Public Law
22 81-874 which will substantively foreclose the option of any state to continue
23 to take impact aid payments made to districts into account in statewide
24 school finance equalization formula determinations; and

25 WHEREAS passage of this amendment will preclude the equitable distribu-
26 tion of aid to public schools in Alaska, result in the destruction of
27 Alaska's school finance equalization formula, and cause gross discrepancies
28 between the amounts of funds made available to public school districts in
29 Alaska;

1 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Senate requests the Chairman of the
2 U. S. House Education and Labor Committee to produce a measure in full com-
3 mittee which would retain the language of section 5(d)(2) as enacted in the
4 education amendements of 1974.

5 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Carl D.
6 Perkins, Chairman of the House Education and Labor Committee; and to the
7 Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the
8 Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation
9 in Congress.

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