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BY REQUEST

1 IN THE SENATE

2 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 68

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to proposed federal budget  
6 cuts in appropriations to the United  
7 States Postal Service and reduction  
8 in the federal cost-of-living allow-  
9 ance.

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

11 WHEREAS the President and Congress are presently considering reductions  
12 in federal spending in various areas; and

13 WHEREAS one of the reductions under consideration involves appropria-  
14 tions to the United States Postal Service; and

15 WHEREAS one of the specific proposals to reduce spending is the elimina-  
16 tion of mail deliveries on Saturday; and

17 WHEREAS the elimination of these deliveries will encourage the elimina-  
18 tion of even more postal employee jobs which have already been reduced by  
19 more than 70,000 over the past decade; and

20 WHEREAS the elimination of Saturday mail deliveries will be harmful to  
21 business and private users and second and third class mail users in particu-  
22 lar; and

23 WHEREAS there is also under consideration a proposal to reduce the  
24 federal cost-of-living allowance which will also effect postal employees; and

25 WHEREAS the concept of attacking inflation through cuts in the postal  
26 service and cost-of-living allowance place a particularly heavy burden on  
27 postal employees when compared to other employees;

28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
29 the President and United States Congress to refrain from eliminating Saturday

1 mail deliveries and reducing the federal cost-of-living allowance and to  
2 explore other more equitable means by which to reduce federal spending.

3 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Jimmy Carter,  
4 President of the United States; the Honorable Robert N. Giaimo, Chairman,  
5 House Budget Committee; the Honorable Thomas L. Ashley, William M. Brodhead,  
6 James T. Broyhill, Barber B. Conable, Bill Frenzel, Richard A. Gephardt,  
7 William H. Gray, III, Marjorie S. Holt, Elizabeth Holtzman, James R. Jones,  
8 Delbert L. Latta, Jim Mattox, Norman Mineta, Bill Nelson, David R. Obey, Leon  
9 Panetta, Ralph S. Regula, Eldon D. Rudd, E. G. Shuster, Paul M. Simon,  
10 Stephen Solarz, Louis Stokes, Timothy E. Wirth, Jim Wright, members of the  
11 House Budget Committee, and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable  
12 Mike Gravel, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative,  
13 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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