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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to research relating to
6 proposed state and federal oil and
7 gas lease sales.

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

9 WHEREAS a large number of oil and gas lease sales will be held by the
10 state and federal governments for tracts located in the state and in adjacent
11 waters of the outer continental shelf during the next five years; and

12 WHEREAS the areas to be leased by the state and federal governments
13 during the next five years include Cook Inlet, the Beaufort Sea and Prudhoe
14 Bay uplands, areas adjacent to Kodiak, the North Aleutian Shelf, the Chukchi
15 Sea, the southwest Bristol Bay uplands, and the Copper River, Holitna, Hope,
16 Minchumina, Navarin, Norton Sound, St. George, and Tanana Basins; and

17 WHEREAS the federal government is reducing the money appropriated for
18 oil and gas leasing related research while simultaneously increasing the
19 number and frequency of its oil and gas lease sales in Alaska; and

20 WHEREAS oil and gas related research is vital to the development of
21 lease stipulations and efficient mitigating measures to reduce costs to the
22 oil industry of developing leases and also increasing income to the state;
23 and

24 WHEREAS certain types of applied oil and gas related research are
25 necessary if adverse social, environmental, and economic effects of proposed
26 oil and gas leases are to be diminished;

27 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the governor is
28 respectfully requested to include as part of his budget submission for the
29 fiscal year ending June 30, 1983 a proposed program of applied research

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1 relating to selection of oil and gas lease tracts, social, environmental and
2 economic considerations, monitoring, mitigating measures, and other appro-
3 priate subjects, and proposed nonlapsing appropriations to cover the expenses
4 of the applied research program which he recommends; and be it

5 FURTHER RESOLVED that in the preparation of the proposed applied re-
6 search program the governor consult with federal agencies concerned with oil
7 and gas leasing and with the University of Alaska.

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