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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35 (Res)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to the processing of
6 licenses of Alaska hydroelectric
7 projects by the Federal Energy
8 Regulatory Commission.

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

10 WHEREAS, although Alaska is blessed with half of the undeveloped hydro-
11 electric potential of the United States, the state is presently dependent on
12 petroleum products and natural gas for 92 percent of its energy needs; and

13 WHEREAS expedited development of renewable energy hydroelectric
14 projects will conserve oil and gas, decreasing the nation's dependence on
15 imported fuels; and

16 WHEREAS Alaska's electrical power systems are not connected with the
17 electrical power systems of any other state or country; and

18 WHEREAS hydroelectric projects under consideration are fully contained
19 in Alaska and would not affect any other state or country; and

20 WHEREAS Alaska will take sole responsibility for financing and develop-
21 ing of hydroelectric projects needed to produce electricity for the state;

22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Federal Energy
23 Regulatory Commission is respectfully requested to process license applica-
24 tions for Alaska hydropower projects in less than six months and that
25 projects be automatically granted a license when the processing time reaches
26 six months.

27 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable James B.
28 Edwards, Secretary of the Department of Energy; the Honorable James G. Watt,
29 Secretary of the Department of the Interior; and to the Honorable Ted

1 Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable
2 Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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