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1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 10

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to review of capital expen-
6 ditures of hospitals.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

8 WHEREAS excessive competition among hospitals in other states has
9 resulted in the construction of facilities containing too many hospital beds
10 to fill and in unnecessary purchase of expensive equipment; and

11 WHEREAS, in an attempt to control the cost of medical care, the United
12 States Congress passed P.L. 93-641, imposing a requirement that each state
13 adopt a certificate-of-need law; and

14 WHEREAS Alaska adopted a certificate-of-need law in 1976; and

15 WHEREAS, in addition to the certificate-of-need law, a state may enter
16 into an agreement with the federal government for review of capital expen-
17 ditures of hospitals by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under
18 P.L. 92-603, sec. 221; and

19 WHEREAS Alaska entered into an agreement with the federal government
20 for review of capital expenditures of hospitals; and

21 WHEREAS the review by the federal government is more restrictive than
22 the review approved by the legislature and unnecessarily duplicates the
23 requirements of state law;

24 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Senate respectfully requests the Governor
25 not to extend the agreement with the federal government for review of capital
26 expenditures of hospitals when the agreement expires on June 30, 1981.