

Offered: 3/2/83
Referred: Rules

Original sponsor: Herrmann

1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27 (HESS)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Relating to health care delivery to

6 non-Native dependents by the United

7 States Public Health Service.

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

9 WHEREAS Public Law 97-394, making appropriations for the Department of

10 Interior, was signed by the President of the United States in December 30,

11 1982; and

12 WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 restricts the health care services that may

13 be provided to non-Native dependents of Alaska Natives by the Indian Health

14 Service; and

15 WHEREAS Public Law 97-394 became effective immediately and had an

16 immediate and adverse effect on health care planning for Native Alaskans

17 and their non-Native dependents;

18 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests

19 that the United States Congress suspend for a period of six months the

20 provisions of Public Law 97-394 that restrict the health care services that

21 may be provided to non-Native dependents of Alaska Natives by the Indian

22 Health Service, so that these dependents may have an adequate opportunity

23 to find alternative health care; and be it

24 FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Congress is respectfully

25 requested to require the Indian Health Service to provide six months notice

26 to persons whose eligibility for health care services is to be curtailed or

27 eliminated, so that those persons may have an adequate opportunity to find

28 alternative health care.

29 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Edward N.

1 Brandt, Jr., Surgeon General, United States Public Health Service; and to
2 the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators,
3 and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska
4 delegation in Congress.