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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL
COMMITTEE ON OIL AND GAS
2 CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8 (Oil and Gas)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 Relating to a natural gas pipeline.
6 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
7 WHEREAS the strength and well being of the state's economy will depend
8 on long-term energy sources; and
9 WHEREAS declining revenue is requiring that the state execute its
10 long-term energy planning with a minimum amount of speculation and
11 preconstruction expenditures; and
12 WHEREAS in-state uses of the state's resources will directly benefit
13 citizens with increased employment and lower energy costs; and
14 WHEREAS in-state use of resources will decrease dependence on products
15 and pricing of domestic and foreign suppliers, thus helping to end vulner-
16 ability to world resource market depressions; and
17 WHEREAS one of the state's most abundant, usable, long-term, environ-
18 mentally efficient energy sources is natural gas; and
19 WHEREAS the residents of the Interior and Railbelt need an energy
20 source for home heating and electrical generation; and
21 WHEREAS a major generating source is needed at each end of the
22 Fairbanks - Anchorage intertie; and
23 WHEREAS a natural gas pipeline will eventually pass near Fairbanks if
24 North Slope gas is transported either to tidewater or through Canada to the
25 continental United States; and
26 WHEREAS both in-state uses and foreign and domestic marketing will
27 depend on the construction of such a line;
28 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature encourages the Gover-
29 nor to consider, as an alternative to other energy proposals, the long-term

1 benefits to residents of the state from a natural gas pipeline from the
2 North Slope to Fairbanks, with spurs to other Interior communities; and be
3 it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature will cooperate with the adminis-
5 tration to remove any barriers that may have delayed progress in building a
6 natural gas pipeline.