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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 55

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to development of the Southeast

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Intertie.

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

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WHEREAS a proposed electric transmission grid system connecting the
9 major load centers of Southeast Alaska and Northwestern British Columbia is
10 known as the Southeast Intertie; and

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WHEREAS the Southeast Intertie will form a viable energy alternative
12 that will provide the economic and commercial infrastructure necessary for
13 the continued industrial, commercial, and residential growth of Southeast
14 Alaska; and

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WHEREAS the construction of the Southeast Intertie will promote the
16 availability of a stable, long-term energy supply, increase electrical
17 system reliability, and stabilize power costs for the communities of South-
18 east Alaska;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
20 that the Governor direct the appropriate state agencies to work with the
21 United States Forest Service to create a federal and state reservation of
22 transmission corridors through the public lands connecting Canada and
23 Alaska using the most feasible, economic, environmentally sound, and effi-
24 cient routes possible; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Power Authority develop and adopt a
26 policy giving priority to the establishment of a transmission grid system
27 that will interconnect Southeast Alaska with Canada and interconnect South-
28 east Alaska with the other major electric systems in the state; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor, together with the Alaska

1 congressional delegation and federal officials, initiate discussions with
2 appropriate Canadian officials to take the necessary political, logistical,
3 and other steps to promote the construction of a Southeast Intertie; and be
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5 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Power Authority do the necessary
6 research for long range planning, transmission route identification, trans-
7 mission route development, and transmission line construction.

8 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald
9 Reagan, President of the United States; the Honorable George Shultz, Secre-
10 tary of State; the Honorable John S. Herrington, Secretary of Energy; the
11 U.S. Forest Service; British Columbia Hydro; the Northern Canada Power
12 commission; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank
13 Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative,
14 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.