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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 foreign marketing of Alaska

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pink salmon products.

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

8 WHEREAS record-setting runs have been forecasted for the pink salmon  
9 fisheries of Alaska during 1986; and

10 WHEREAS the present inventories of processed pink salmon have reached  
11 such high levels that even the recent increase in efforts of marketing have  
12 not resulted in sale of the product on hand; and

13 WHEREAS because of the high pink salmon product inventory, the commer-  
14 cial fishermen of the state may be faced with economically insufficient  
15 price settlements for their catch; and

16 WHEREAS the income derived from the pink salmon fisheries is necessary  
17 to supplement fishermen's income from other fisheries they rely on and is  
18 also extremely necessary in situations where the pink salmon fishery is the  
19 sole source of income; and

20 WHEREAS due to the abundance of pink salmon stocks, with both fore-  
21 casted run and inventory supply, the fishermen may be faced with no market  
22 whatsoever or catch limits imposed by the seafood processors; and

23 WHEREAS alternate pink salmon product form development has been initi-  
24 ated in the state and may have great potential in foreign markets; and

25 WHEREAS in certain foreign countries there currently exist no markets  
26 of pink salmon from United States domestic processors;

27 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests  
28 that the Governor aggressively pursue the establishment of markets in these  
29 foreign countries for pink salmon and innovative pink salmon products; and

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2       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that in trade negotiations and other dealings with  
3 the Chinese during the upcoming Targeted Trade Mission of the Office of  
4 Pacific Rim Relations, the Governor is respectfully requested to initiate  
5 this foreign marketing effort, not only with respect to reducing the pre-  
6 sent inventories of processed pink salmon, but also with respect to estab-  
7 lishing outlets for purchasing and processing the surplus of this year's  
8 catch; and be it

9       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that in establishing new foreign marketing outlets,  
10 the Governor is also requested to discourage the foreign countries from  
11 re-exporting United States pink salmon to other foreign countries that are  
12 already buying from United States domestic processors.