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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 46

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Requesting the Federal Aviation Adminis-
6 tration to exempt aircraft in Alaska
7 from regulations on the size of aircraft
8 registration numbers and on supplemental
9 identification plates.

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

11 WHEREAS agencies of the federal government sometimes adopt regulations
12 that have detrimental effects on the Alaskan economy and that cause in-
13 convenience to Alaskans; and

14 WHEREAS federal regulations are sometimes not relevant to Alaska and
15 serve no useful purpose; and

16 WHEREAS the Federal Aviation Administration has adopted regulations
17 that require 12-inch registration numbers on aircraft entering or leaving
18 an Air Defense Identification Zone (ADIZ) or a Distant Early Warning Iden-
19 tification Zone (DEWIZ) and a supplemental identification plate on the
20 exterior of aircraft; and

21 WHEREAS some parts of Alaska are included within an ADIZ or DEWIZ and
22 other parts are not, and thus those aircraft that fly in and out of these
23 zones must display 12-inch registration numbers, but those aircraft that
24 never enter or leave one of these zones may continue to display three-inch
25 registration numbers; and

26 WHEREAS it is nearly impossible to predict whether an aircraft in
27 Alaska will ever need to enter or leave an ADIZ or DEWIZ; and

28 WHEREAS compliance with these regulations imposes an estimated cost of
29 up to \$215 per aircraft; and

1 WHEREAS these regulations were adopted to assist the U.S. Customs
2 Service in identifying aircraft suspected of carrying illegal drugs across
3 these zones; and

4 WHEREAS there has been no documented case in Alaska involving a small
5 aircraft entering an ADIZ or DEWIZ transporting illegal drugs; and

6 WHEREAS these regulations apply to tourists who visit Alaska by pri-
7 vate plane; and

8 WHEREAS the International Cessna 170 Association has chosen to hold a
9 convention in Fairbanks during July 1988 with an expected attendance of 100
10 aircraft, most of which will be Cessna 170's ranging from 32 to 40 years
11 old; and

12 WHEREAS these regulations will have a negative effect on the number of
13 visitors coming to the state by private aircraft for the International
14 Cessna 170 Association convention and for business and tourism purposes;

15 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
16 the Federal Aviation Administration to either exempt aircraft in Alaska
17 from 14 CFR 45.11(a) and (d) and 14 CFR 45.29(h) or grant an exemption from
18 these regulations to participants in the International Cessna 170 Asso-
19 ciation convention.

20 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable James H.
21 Burnley IV, Secretary of Transportation; the Honorable Donald D. Engen,
22 Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration; and to the Honorable
23 Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the
24 Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation
25 in Congress.