

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY SHULTZ

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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 57

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to over-the-horizon backscatter

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radar systems.

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

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WHEREAS the state is facing a serious economic situation, affecting

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both individuals and businesses; and

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WHEREAS the state plays an important part in the national defense

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because of its strategic global location; and

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WHEREAS the air force is planning to build an over-the-horizon back-

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scatter radar project in the state; and

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WHEREAS state residents have great expertise in and sensitivity to the

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delicate physical, social, and cultural environments that will be affected

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by the air force radar project; and

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WHEREAS the federal government has in the past demonstrated its sup-

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port of the state's efforts to improve its economy by requiring state

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resident hiring on certain federal projects;

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Secretary of

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Defense is respectfully requested to encourage the Air Force to make use of

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local businesses and employees when contracting, purchasing, and hiring for

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the over-the-horizon backscatter radar project.

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COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Frank C.

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Carlucci, Secretary of Defense; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the

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Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S.

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Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.