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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Opposing imposition of an income tax on

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individuals.

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

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WHEREAS Alaska's economic dependence on world oil markets makes the

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state vulnerable to changes in the world market price for oil; and

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WHEREAS the current market price for oil underlines the state's need

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for economic diversification; and

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WHEREAS individual citizens are coping with decreases in income by

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reducing expenditures for nonessential items; and

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WHEREAS taxation of income derived by individuals would place further

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unnecessary burdens on individual citizens who are already coping with

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decreases in income; and

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WHEREAS taxation of income derived by individuals is a recessive force

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in an economy because it provides disincentives for activities that would

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lead to essential economic development and diversification; and

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WHEREAS the state spends on government five times the national average

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per citizen; and

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WHEREAS consolidation and reorganization of state government and

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services should be a top priority in order to reduce the size of state

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government;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature opposes the

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imposition of an income tax on individuals; and be it

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FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully re-

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quests the Governor to direct the office of management and budget to ex-

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amine ways the state can generate new sources of revenue in lieu of

1 reimposition of a state income tax on individuals.