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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to child care in state build-

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ings.

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

8 WHEREAS 60 percent of single mothers in the workplace in the state

9 have children under six years of age; and

10 WHEREAS 23 percent of single fathers in the state have custody of

11 children under seven years of age; and

12 WHEREAS there is a statewide shortage of adequate child care services

13 not only for state employees, but also for university and college students

14 and persons serving on a jury; and

15 WHEREAS adequate child care services tend to reduce employee turnover

16 and absenteeism, improve worker productivity, and in some cases allow

17 persons to accept or continue employment; and

18 WHEREAS Alaska children have an indisputable natural right to life,

19 liberty, the pursuit of happiness, equal opportunities, and equal protec-

20 tion;

21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is

22 respectfully requested to direct the persons or agencies responsible for

23 planning the construction or renovation of state buildings to assess the

24 need for child care services among persons who are working, attending

25 classes, or serving on a jury in, or are expected to work, attend classes,

26 or serve on a jury in, the buildings; and be it

27 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor is respectfully requested to pre-

28 pare a report on the need assessments completed and the number of times it

29 is found to be feasible to provide child care services in a state building,

1 and to submit the report to the legislature not later than the convening of
2 the First Session of the Sixteenth Alaska State Legislature.