

1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Relating to a Liability Insurance Task

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Force.

7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

8 WHEREAS the state and its political subdivisions, as well as many
9 individuals in the private sector are faced with increasing insurance
10 costs; and

11 WHEREAS tort reform involves civil procedure statutes, insurance
12 statutes, case law developed by the courts over several centuries, many
13 common-law doctrines, and practices of both the insurance industry and
14 attorneys in the state; and

15 WHEREAS a comprehensive review of existing statutes, case law, insur-
16 ance and legal practices, and the relationship between the cost of insur-
17 ance and the civil justice system is needed in order to determine how the
18 state may more effectively regulate insurance and provide civil justice;

19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives that a Liability Insur-
20 ance Task Force is established to study state statutes, case law, practices
21 of the insurance and legal fields, and the relationship between insurance
22 costs and civil justice; and be it

23 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall recommend to the legisla-
24 ture any changes to the statutes appropriate and necessary for reducing
25 insurance costs and improving civil justice; and be it

26 FURTHER RESOLVED that the chairs of the House Judiciary Committee,
27 Labor and Commerce Committee, and Health, Education and Social Services
28 Committee shall be members of the task force, and that the speaker of the
29 house shall appoint as members of the task force an appropriate number of

1 members of the House majority and minority, and an appropriate number of
2 persons who are involved in tort reform issues, or who are involved in
3 insurance or civil justice; and be it

4 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the terms of the task force members shall begin
5 July 1, 1989, and that the task force shall terminate January 31, 1990; and
6 be it

7 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the task force shall submit a report of its
8 findings and proposed legislation to the legislature by January 31, 1990;
9 and be it

10 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the administrative and legal services of the
11 Legislative Affairs Agency shall be made available to the task force.