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1 IN THE HOUSE

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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 13 am

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to a ban on smoking and use of

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alcohol in the chambers and committee

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rooms of the House of Representatives.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

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WHEREAS the Surgeon General of the United States has reported that  
10 smoking is hazardous to human health; and

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WHEREAS many studies show that tobacco smoke can also be harmful to  
12 nonsmokers in the immediate area of smokers; and

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WHEREAS the state has shown its concern for limiting tobacco use by  
14 minors by prohibiting minors from buying tobacco products and prohibiting  
15 persons from selling or giving tobacco products to minors; and

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WHEREAS legislators should be role models for the youth of the state  
17 and further encourage them not to smoke by personal example; and

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WHEREAS current state law declares that smoking in any form is a  
19 nuisance and a public health hazard that is prohibited in the House cham-  
20 bers and rooms where public meetings are held except where designated by  
21 the House Rules Committee;

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BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully requests  
23 the House Rules Committee to

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(1) ban all smoking and use of alcohol in the House chambers and  
25 House committee rooms when public meetings are in progress;

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(2) accommodate the needs of legislators and other persons who  
27 are smokers in other suitable ways as determined by the Rules Committee.