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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2 (Finance)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION
5 Establishing a Family Support Task
6 Force.
7 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
8 WHEREAS Congress enacted the Family Support Act of 1988 which changes
9 many federal laws related to paternity actions, child support, Aid to
10 Families with Dependent Children, Medicaid, and other programs; and
11 WHEREAS the Act requires the state to make changes in Alaska Statutes,
12 rules, and regulations related to these same areas and allows the state to
13 make other changes if the state chooses to do so; and
14 WHEREAS changes made to comply with the Act may have significant
15 fiscal ramifications as well as an effect on the day-to-day operations of
16 state programs; and
17 WHEREAS a comprehensive review of statutes, rules, regulations, and
18 policies related to family support is needed in order to determine how the
19 state can comply with the changes required by federal law and use the
20 options allowed so that the goals of the Family Support Act and the pol-
21 icies of the State of Alaska can be most effectively met in relation to
22 family support;
23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that a Family Support
24 Task Force is established to
25 (1) study Alaska Statutes, rules, regulations, and policies
26 related to family support;
27 (2) recommend to the legislature any changes to the statutes
28 appropriate and necessary for complying with the Family Support Act of
29 1988, using options granted by that Act, or otherwise improving state laws

1 and programs related to family support issues; and

2 (3) investigate the feasibility of applying for demonstration
3 projects under Title V of that Act; and be it

4 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of a public member
5 to be appointed by the Governor; the persons who chair the Senate and House
6 Finance and Health, Education, and Social Services Committees; and the
7 commissioners, or their designees, of the following departments:

8 (1) Department of Labor;

9 (2) Department of Education;

10 (3) Department of Health and Social Services;

11 (4) Department of Community and Regional Affairs; and

12 (5) Department of Revenue; and be it

13 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall involve members of the
14 public during the course of its work and shall actively seek testimony and
15 advice from clients of state agencies who are affected by Titles I - V of
16 the Family Support Act; and be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED that the terms of task force members shall begin
18 immediately and that the task force shall expire upon the convening of the
19 First Session of the Seventeenth Alaska State Legislature; and be it

20 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall submit to the legislature
21 upon its convening in 1990 a report containing

22 (1) findings with respect to previous changes made by the legis-
23 lature, the judicial system, and the affected departments in response to
24 the Family Support Act of 1988;

25 (2) recommendations for future legislative, judicial, and execu-
26 tive actions in response to the Act; and

27 (3) specific legislative proposals to implement the changes
28 required or allowed by the Act or to otherwise implement a comprehensive
29 and cost effective policy related to family support issues in the state;

1 and be it

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