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1 IN THE SENATE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE
2 HOUSE CS FOR CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28 (Finance)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 Establishing a Housing Finance Task
6 Force to review and recommend changes to
7 publicly-assisted residential finance
8 programs.

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

10 WHEREAS the State of Alaska has created a substantial public financing
11 system designed to assist Alaska homebuyers and has provided more than
12 \$1,000,000,000 of capital as well as bonding authority to initiate and
13 sustain these loan programs; and

14 WHEREAS the management of these loan programs has been assigned to
15 several agencies, including executive departments and public corporations;
16 and

17 WHEREAS the Alaska residential housing market has evolved tremendously
18 since most of these loan programs were established; and

19 WHEREAS, due to recent economic hardship, these agencies have taken
20 possession of hundreds of residential properties throughout the state; and

21 WHEREAS scrutiny of the state's initial capital investment, outstand-
22 ing bonded indebtedness incurred by these agencies, authorities, and public
23 corporations, and the reinvestment of income earned from residential loans
24 requires the expertise of the agencies, authorities, and public corpora-
25 tions currently involved;

26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that a Housing Finance
27 Task Force is established to review and analyze the publicly-assisted
28 residential finance programs, including but not limited to housing loan
29 programs managed by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation and the

1 Department of Community and Regional Affairs; and be it

2 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall report to the legislature
3 by the 15th day of the Second Session of the Sixteenth Alaska State Legis-
4 lature summarizing the financial condition of all state-assisted residen-
5 tial loan programs, guidelines governing each of the loan programs, and the
6 status and condition of any bonds sold to capitalize these loans; and be it

7 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall administer an independent
8 evaluation of the options and implications for restructuring, reducing the
9 size of, privatizing, or phasing out the Alaska Housing Finance Corpora-
10 tion, and that the evaluation also include an analysis of the potential for
11 return on the capital invested in the corporation by the state; and be it

12 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall review the proposal which
13 would require the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation to purchase mortgage
14 loans from the housing assistance loan fund, the effects of this policy on
15 each of the loan programs, whether the purchases should be at par value or
16 at market value and, if at market value, an appropriate method for deter-
17 mining that value, and the long-term anticipated demand for residential
18 loans through the housing assistance loan fund; and be it

19 FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of six members,
20 including three members of the Senate to be appointed by the president of
21 the Senate and three members of the House of Representatives to be ap-
22 pointed by the speaker of the House, and that the task force shall have an
23 advisory group composed of the director of the rural development division
24 of the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, the executive director
25 of the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, the executive director of the
26 Alaska State Housing Authority, and the executive director of the Alaska
27 Housing Market Council, or their designees; and be it

28 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Housing Finance Task Force terminates when
29 the task force submits its report.