

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 18

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Supporting "Frontier Thinking," an

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international conference, and its goal

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of finding complementary economic and

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environmental strategies.

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

10 WHEREAS 1990 has ushered in the last decade of the 20th century and
11 the first decade of the common future; and

12 WHEREAS as the global community was waking to the threat of serious
13 problems including global warming and ozone depletion, the Prince William
14 Sound oil spill shocked state residents into a firsthand awareness of the
15 profound economic and environmental questions that will require political
16 and ethical answers in the future; and

17 WHEREAS the answers to these economic and environmental questions will
18 determine the nature and quality of life in the 20th century in this state
19 and around the world; and

20 WHEREAS the state's natural wealth imposes on state residents a re-
21 sponsibility to examine these questions and their implications as the state
22 strives to develop its economy and to protect its environment; and

23 WHEREAS in its role as trustee of the Last Frontier's great natural
24 resources, the state is increasingly challenged to develop strategies to
25 reconcile real and perceived conflicts between the environment and economic
26 development in a manner that meets the needs of present generations without
27 compromising the capacity of future generations to meet their needs; and

28 WHEREAS the lives of residents of the state are based on the frontier
29 traditions of perseverance and of pulling together when the sledding gets

1 tough, and the residents can, therefore, draw on those traditions of "Fron-
2 tier Thinking" to handle economic development and environmental protection
3 as complementary goals rather than opposing forces; and

4 WHEREAS an international conference entitled "Frontier Thinking" will
5 be held in Anchorage on March 21 - 23, 1990, the Anniversary of the Prince
6 William Sound oil spill; and

7 WHEREAS the conference will concentrate on the development of innova-
8 tive strategies for reconciling economic development and environmental
9 protection;

10 BE IT RESOLVED that the Senate supports the international conference
11 on "Frontier Thinking" to be held in Anchorage March 21 - 23, 1990, and
12 urges all residents of the state to unite behind their common concern for
13 the common future and the future of their children, their state, their
14 country, and their world and to assume global leadership by using "Frontier
15 Thinking" to find complementary strategies for stimulating a healthy econo-
16 my and maintaining a stable environment.