

**HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 4**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE**

**Introduced: 3/18/91**

**Referred: Today's Calendar**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Establishing a House Special Committee on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Claims Settlement.**

**2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:**

**3 WHEREAS** justice requires that Alaska be adequately compensated for the damage done to it  
**4** as a result of the oil spilled from the T/V Exxon Valdez in March of 1989; and

**5 WHEREAS** the Agreement and Consent Decree in United States v. Exxon, et al., and State of  
**6** Alaska v. Exxon, et al., signed by the parties on March 12, 1991, allows the United States or the State  
**7** of Alaska to withdraw its consent to the Agreement if the Alaska State Legislature fails to approve the  
**8** Agreement within 45 days from the date that notice of the Agreement is published in the Federal  
**9** Register;

**10 BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of Representatives that a House Special Committee on the  
**11** Exxon Valdez Oil Spill Claims Settlement is established to study the proposed Agreement and related  
**12** documents; and be it

**13 FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall determine the  
**14** number of representatives to be members of the committee, shall appoint the members, and shall  
**15** designate a member to chair the committee; and be it

**16 FURTHER RESOLVED** that the House Special Committee on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill  
**17** Claims Settlement shall hold, in addition to its own meetings, joint meetings with a like Senate

**1** committee for the purpose of receiving public testimony on the proposed Agreement; and be it  
**2**       **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the House Special Committee on the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill  
**3** Claims Settlement shall report to the House of Representatives by the 35th day after the Agreement is  
**4** published in the Federal Register the committee's recommendation that the House approve or disapprove  
**5** the proposed Agreement, and that the committee is terminated on the 46th day after the Agreement is  
**6** published in the Federal Register.