

**SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 12**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

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**Referred: C&RA and Resources**

**A RESOLUTION**

**1 Endorsing S.49, the Ocean and Coastal Resources Enhancement Act, federal legislation**  
**2 which would direct the federal government to share with the states and their local**  
**3 governments federal revenue generated by the development of the resources of the outer**  
**4 continental shelf.**

**5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

**6       WHEREAS** development of the state's resources is an important issue to residents of the state,  
**7 and the Alaska Legislature has generally supported initiatives to develop those resources, including those**  
**8 resources that may be found in the coastal and ocean waters and on the seabed of the outer continental**  
**9 shelf adjacent to the state; and**

**10       WHEREAS**, under current law, the federal government is not required to share the lease sale  
**11 income, royalties, and other revenue generated from outer continental shelf resource development,**  
**12 leaving to the states and affected municipalities the responsibility of meeting any increased costs**  
**13 attributable to the development; and**

**14       WHEREAS** S.49, the Ocean and Coastal Resources Enhancement Act, pending during the 102nd  
**15 Congress, would, if approved, require the federal government to share one-third of the revenue generated**

1 by a particular development located on a state's outer continental shelf with the adjacent state and the  
2 communities within the state that are affected by the development; and

3       **WHEREAS** the revenue-sharing concept set out in S.49 would assist the states and their  
4 municipalities to meet dislocations and adverse effects of outer continental shelf resources development  
5 projects, accelerate the development of necessary infrastructure, provide capital for necessary support  
6 services, and provide revenue for essential environmental protection projects;

7       **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature endorses and supports S. 49 and urges its  
8 prompt passage by the United States Congress and approval by the President of the United States.

9       **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George Bush, President of the United  
10 States; the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable  
11 Robert C. Byrd, President pro tempore of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable J. Bennett Johnston, Chair of  
12 the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources; the Honorable Morris K. Udall, Chair of the  
13 House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; the Honorable Manuel Lujan, Jr., Secretary of the  
14 Interior; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the  
15 Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.