

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 45
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A RESOLUTION

1 Urging the use of canned pink salmon in the "Public Law 480 - Food for Peace"
2 program.

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

4 **WHEREAS** the Alaska pink salmon industry is facing great economic hardship due to a 10-year
5 low in prices caused, in part, by a large worldwide inventory of canned pink salmon; and

6 **WHEREAS** projections concerning 1992 pink salmon runs indicate that they will be at least as
7 strong as the record runs of recent years; and

8 **WHEREAS** the federal Department of Commerce has determined canned pink salmon to be a
9 surplus commodity and has recommended to the Department of Agriculture that canned pink salmon be
10 a commodity available for distribution under the Agricultural Trade, Development, and Assistance Act
11 as part of the program known as "Public Law 480 - Food for Peace"; and

12 **WHEREAS** canned pink salmon is a healthy, nutritious food that would be highly beneficial to
13 the people in the countries that are part of the "Public Law 480 - Food for Peace" program;

14 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature strongly urges the Department of
15 Agriculture to place canned pink salmon on the "Public Law 480 - Food for Peace" docket for 1992.

16 **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Edward Madigan, Secretary of

1 Agriculture; the Honorable Barbara Franklin, Secretary of Commerce; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens
2 and the Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative,
3 members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.