

CS FOR HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 25(L&C)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

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Referred: State Affairs

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES KOTT, Green, Menard, Nordlund, B.Davis

A RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to a state materials exchange.**

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

3 **WHEREAS** an industrial materials exchange provides for the reuse and recycling of
4 industrial materials; and

5 **WHEREAS** the implementation of an industrial materials exchange in the state would
6 result in significant environmental and economic benefits to the state, including resource and
7 energy conservation, protection of the environment, and reduce demands on traditional
8 methods of disposal; and

9 **WHEREAS** it is estimated that United States and Canadian industry annually save
10 \$27,000,000 and the energy equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil by using materials exchanges;
11 and

12 **WHEREAS** an Alaska materials exchange would encourage and enable Alaska
13 industry to be more efficient in its use of natural resources; and

14 **WHEREAS** an Alaska materials exchange would directly benefit the communities in
15 the state by extending the life of local landfills; and

16 **WHEREAS** an Alaska materials exchange would benefit all residents of the state by
17 reducing the cost of doing business in the state and by decreasing the effect of industry on the

1 environment; and

2 **WHEREAS** BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc., and ARCO Alaska, Inc., have voluntarily
3 committed their valuable resources to establish an Alaska materials exchange; and

4 **WHEREAS** a fully operational Alaska materials exchange could operate in the private
5 sector with little or no cost to state government; and

6 **WHEREAS** an Alaska materials exchange would demonstrate the value of cooperation
7 among different industries in the state and between industry and government; and

8 **WHEREAS** the Pollution Prevention Office in the Department of Environmental
9 Conservation has been established to foster the type of nonregulatory pollution prevention
10 partnerships represented by an Alaska materials exchange;

11 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature supports the establishment of
12 an Alaska materials exchange and encourages businesses in the state to participate in the
13 exchange; and be it

14 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the
15 Governor to direct the commissioner of environmental conservation to continue working with
16 industry to establish an Alaska materials exchange; and be it

17 **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the
18 Governor to proclaim April 1994 Alaska Materials Exchange Month in order to encourage
19 participation in an Alaska materials exchange.