

**HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 35**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION**

**BY REPRESENTATIVES SITTON, Davidson, Brice**

**Introduced: 3/17/93**

**Referred: House Special Committee on Oil and Gas, Resources**

**A RESOLUTION**

1 **Endorsing approval by the United States Congress of S 254 or comparable**  
2 **legislation imposing a fee on imported oil.**

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

4 **WHEREAS** the federal government requires additional revenue to reduce the federal  
5 budget deficit; and

6 **WHEREAS**, without additional revenues, Americans face the prospect of significant  
7 budget reductions for federal programs that are vital to their health and welfare and to the  
8 educational and economic opportunities available to them; and

9 **WHEREAS** S 254 calls for the imposition of a fee on imported oil; and

10 **WHEREAS** the imposition of an oil import fee would raise revenue for the federal  
11 government and moderate the severity of anticipated federal program reductions; and

12 **WHEREAS** imposition of an oil import fee would increase the effective market price  
13 of all oil, accruing an estimated additional \$761,000,000 to the state general fund and  
14 permanent fund by 2000; and

15 **WHEREAS** imposition of an oil import fee would provide incentives for further  
16 domestic exploration and production, reducing dependence on foreign oil supplies; and

1           **WHEREAS** the imposition of a fee on imported oil should have the effect of  
2 increasing the market price on domestically produced oil to the benefit of domestic producers  
3 and jurisdictions in which oil production occurs.

4           **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska State Legislature endorses Congressional passage  
5 of S 254 or comparable legislation imposing a fee on imported oil.

6           **COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the  
7 United States; the Honorable Al Gore, Jr., Vice-President of the United States and President  
8 of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Robert C. Byrd, President Pro Tempore of the U.S. Senate;  
9 the Honorable Thomas S. Foley, Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives; the Honorable  
10 J. Bennett Johnston, chair of the United States Senate Energy and Natural Resources  
11 Committee and principal sponsor of S 254; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the  
12 Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S.  
13 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.