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RE: SCR 30

Alaska hire is a topic that has received an extraordinary amount of attention here in the legislature.

Our efforts thus far have been aimed at certain segments of the private sector, however one of the largest employers in the state has been overlooked.

The resolution recommends to the Governor that Alaskans be hired to fill job vacancies within state Government whenever possible. Partially exempt and exempt positions are stressed because they are not as closely scrutinized as jobs appearing on the state register.

The bill is designed to insure that state employment records are available for review in terms of statistical information. Private individual facts and figures will not be made public by this legislation.

In summary these two pieces of legislation go hand in hand. The resolution sends the message, the bill provides the mechanism to insure records are made available.

If we as stewards of public policy are to carry out the mandates on Alaskan hire we must not single out one employer over another and we certainly must not overlook state government and the role it plays in our economy.