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HCR 6

*Joint Senate Res. and International
Trade and Tourism*

2/3/89

BILL: HCR 6

NAME: SCS HCR 6(ITT)

TITLE: Supporting the development of coal mining at Wishbone Hill.

PRIME SPONSOR: MENARD

CO-SPONSOR: LARSON,ZAWACKI,GRUENBERG,LEMAN,NAVARRE,FOSTER

CURRENT STATUS: LEGIS RESOLVE 37

STATUS DATE: 06/13/89

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2 01/20/89	134	(H) RESOURCES
3 01/25/89	172	(H) CO-SPONSOR ADDED: LEMAN
4 02/01/89	216	(H) RES RPT 7DP 1NR
5 02/01/89	216	(H) ZERO FISCAL NOTE (H.RES) 2/1/89
6 02/01/89	216	(H) RULES TO CALENDAR 2/1/89
7 02/01/89	224	(H) READ THE SECOND TIME
8 02/01/89	224	(H) PASSED Y37 N- X2 A1 HCR 6
9 02/01/89	225	(H) CO-SPONSOR ADDED: NAVARRE, FOSTER
10 02/01/89	227	(H) TRANSMITTED TO (S)
11 02/02/89	274	(S) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRAL(S)
12 02/02/89	274	(S) ITT, THEN RESOURCES, FINANCE
13 02/03/89	313	(S) REFERRALS REVERSED: RES, THEN ITT, FIN
14 02/03/89	315	(S) RES WAIVED RULE 23
15 02/06/89	329	(S) RES RPT 5DP
16 02/06/89	329	(S) PREVIOUS ZERO FN (H.RES)
17 03/20/89	862	(S) ITT RPT SCS 3DP 1NR SAME TITLE
18 03/20/89	863	(S) ZERO FN TO SCS PUBLISHED (H.RES)

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HCR 6

The Resources Committee considered HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6 (Supporting the development of coal mining at Wishbone Hill) and a majority of the committee recommended do pass. The report was signed by Senator Fahrenkamp, Chair, and concurred in by Senators Halford, Frank, Eliason and Sturgulewski.

Previous zero fiscal note published in House Journal on 2/1/89 from the House Resources Committee applies to the resolution.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 6 was referred to the Senate Special Committee on International Trade and Tourism.

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ALASKA STATE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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DATE: February 3, 1989
TO: Address List
FROM: George Krusz, President
SUBJECT: Resolution supporting Alaska Minerals Commission Report (and Wishbone Hill development)

Enclosed are resolutions adopted by the Alaska State Chamber regarding the Alaska Minerals Commission report presented to the Governor, January 13, 1989, and Glenn Highway improvements for Wishbone Hill coal development.



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Alaska State Chamber of Commerce

Resolution

Whereas, A East Asian Market for Wishbone Hill Coal in the Matanuska Valley has been identified for 1991, and,

Whereas, exploration, feasibility, and permitting work has progressed on schedule to meet this schedule and,


Whereas, Idemitsu Kosan Company has invested in this project to provide 155 jobs in the Matanuska Valley, and to favorably affect the balance of trade between USA and Japan, and,

Whereas, the stumbling block to this project is an 8 mile stretch of road between Palmer and Sutton on the Glenn Highway and,

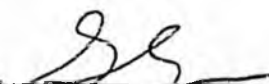
Whereas, Idemitsu Kosan is willing to compensate the State of Alaska for coal transportation related improvements to this section of road, if the State of Alaska/DOF will upgrade this road.

Be it therefore resolved that the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce strongly supports the timely improvement of the affected portion of the Glenn Highway, in order that the coal may reach market in 1991.

Adopted this 17th day of December, 1988 at Anchorage, Alaska by the Alaska State Chamber Board of Directors.



Dave Heatwole
Chairman of the Board



George Krusz
President



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RESOLUTION

Whereas, the Governor and the 15th Alaska State Legislature mandated the Alaska Minerals Commission to recommend policy and legis'ative initiatives which would strengthen Alaska's mineral industry and,

Whereas, the Alaska Minerals industry has the potential to grow more rapidly than other segments of Alaska's economy and,

Whereas, the Alaska Minerals Commission in its prior two years of existence has diligently pursued its mandate.

Now therefore be it resolved that the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce endorses and supports the recommendations contained in the Alaska Minerals Commission report presented to the Governor and 16th Alaska State Legislature on Friday January 13, 1989.

Dated this 17th day of January 1989

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dave Heatwole".

Dave Heatwole
Chairman of the Board

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George Krusz".

George Krusz
President



SENATOR FRED F. ZHAROFF
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February 6, 1989

MEMORANDUM

TO: SENATOR JAY KERTULLA
FROM: SENATOR FRED F. ZHAROFF 
RE: WISHBONE HILL COAL DEVELOPMENT

FEB 10 1989

I followed the discussion on the Wishbone Hill Coal Development project we held in the Special Committee on International Trade and Tourism very closely last week, especially the option of running a longer rail connection as opposed to upgrading the Glenn Highway. It sounded to me as though several people were quite interested in the railroad option. Considering the profits the Alaska Railroad Corporation is generating (see attached article) I am wondering if the Alaska Railroad may not be interested in supporting the construction of additional track to the Wishbone Hill site themselves or in conjunction with other agency funds.

According to AS 42.40.290, the Railroad Corporation has been organized to prepare long range capital improvement plans. Perhaps this kind of project which, according to testimony we heard from Mr. David Germer representing Idemitsu Kosan, would generate 12 to 14 years worth of activity, should be more closely investigated by the Alaska Railroad Corporation.

I recognize that time is an important factor in this project, however, I hope that we continue to give further thought to the railroad option.

CC: Senators Fahrenkamp and ~~Syzmanski~~

Railroad's profit at \$5.8 million

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4/31/89

A surge in freight revenues and a sharp drop in expenses helped the Alaska Railroad post a \$5.8 million profit in 1988.

Nearly 10 percent of the profits — \$620,000 — was distributed to employees as year-end bonuses, according to Marvin Yetter.

The railroad's 500 employees had taken pay cuts of 10 percent for seven months of 1987, and deserved to share in 1988's prosperity, said Frank Turpin, the railroad's president, in an earlier interview.

The profits also will help the corporation reduce borrowing and finance major road bed and track improve-

ments, Yetter said.

The profits resulted, in part, from a 14 percent increase in freight revenues. In earlier interviews, railroad officials said oil-field freight, pipe, coal, log and hazardous waste shipments all increased compared to 1987.

But cost-cutting also played a role.

The railroad is owned by the state, which took over operations from the federal government in January 1985. Since then, the railroad has cut \$10 million from its annual budget.

Yetter said he expects the railroad's 1989 to be "every bit as good as 1988."