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HOUSE CS FOR SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 1(RLS)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE

**Offered:
Referred:**

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

A RESOLUTION

1 **Relating to the Task Force on Motorized Oil Transport.**

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10 and response rules for the Alaska Railroad and for nontank vessels taking into account the
11 different classes of vessels and different operating conditions in Alaska and the costs
12 associated with the rules; and

13 **WHEREAS** it appears that several months of work by interested parties and the
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15 by the legislature;

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Bill History/Action Display

BILL: SCR 1 SHORT TITLE: UNIFORM RULES: MEMBERSHIP SENATE FINANCE
 BILL VERSION:
 SPONSOR(S): RULES BY REQUEST OF COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES

CURRENT STATUS: (H) RLS STATUS DATE: 1/21/99

HEARING: (H) RLS Apr 20 9:00 AM BUTROVICH 205

TITLE: Suspending provisions of Rule 1(e), Uniform Rules of the Alaska State Legislature, relating to proportional minority membership on standing committees as it applies to the Senate Finance Committee during the Twenty-First Alaska State Legislature.

Full Text No Fiscal Information for Bill/Resolution

Bill History

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1/19/99	<u>9</u>	(S) PASSED Y14 N5 A1 SCR 1
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1/21/99	<u>44</u>	(H) READ THE FIRST TIME - REFERRAL(S)
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