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Senate Committee on Resources

M E M O R A N D U M

April 25, 1986

TO: All Members
Senate Resources Committee

FROM: Staff, ^HSenate Resources Committee

RE: SJR 50 Relating to the incidental catch of high-value fish stocks within the United States exclusive economic zone

SJR 50 calls for the Secretary of Commerce and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to enforce the provisions of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act and reduce the level of incidental catch of salmon, halibut, crab, and other high-value species by groundfish trawlers in the U.S. exclusive economic zone. The resolution further calls for the Governor to aggressively pursue every possible means to persuade the Secretary of Commerce and the NPFMC to enforce the provisions of the Act. In addition, the Governor is asked to pursue a reduction in incidental catch by Alaska fishermen participating in the groundfish industry.

There is a zero fiscal note.

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Senator Vic Fischer

Alaska State Legislature • P.O. Box V • Juneau, Alaska 99811 • (907) 465-4954



APR 10 1986

April 9, 1986

To: Senator Arlis Sturgulewski, Chair
Senate Resources Committee

From: Senator Vic Fischer *Vic*

Re: Draft resolution - relating to the incidental catch of high-value fish stocks within the United States exclusive economic zone.

As per our understanding when I agreed to withdraw my proposed amendments to SJR 47, high seas salmon interceptions, attached is a draft resolution for introduction by the Resource Committee.

This resolution deals with incidental catch issues that were not addressed in SJR 47. It focuses on incidental catches of salmon, halibut, crab, and other high-value species by trawlers engaged in groundfishing within the United States exclusive economic zone. The draft delineates the reasons and need for the resolution.

I've distributed copies of this draft to Senators Eliason and Zharoff, Roger Painter, Greg Baker of DCED, Steve Pennoyer of ADF&G, and Bob Blake of UFA for their review and comments.

I would appreciate introduction of the resolution as soon as possible in order to expedite chances of passage this session.

Please let me know if you have questions or need additional information.

cc: Senator Dick Eliason
Senator Fred Zharoff

(4/9/86)
(FINAL DRAFT)

PROPOSED SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE RESOLUTION

SJR ___ - Relating to the incidental
catch of high-value fish stocks
within the United States
exclusive economic zone

WHEREAS art. VIII, sec. 2 of the Alaska Constitution requires the Alaska Legislature to provide for the utilization, development and conservation of all natural resources for the maximum benefit of the people of Alaska; and

WHEREAS fisheries are Alaska's most important renewable natural resources; and

WHEREAS the salmon, halibut and crab fisheries are among Alaska's most important resources and have traditionally provided a major source of employment and income among Alaska fishermen; and

WHEREAS the harvestable surplus of every salmon stock of Alaska origin and of halibut and crab are fully utilized by United States fishermen; and

WHEREAS trawlers incidentally harvest significant numbers of salmon of Alaska origin, and of halibut, crab and other high

value species while targeting on groundfish within the United States exclusive economic zone; and

WHEREAS the incidental harvest of salmon of Alaska origin and of halibut and crab by trawlers during the course of fishing for groundfish inside the United States exclusive economic zone is adversely affecting the resource; and

WHEREAS at times the incidental catch of high-value species by trawlers during the course of fishing for groundfish inside the United States exclusive economic zone has exceeded the catch of these species allocated for Alaska fishermen; and

WHEREAS trawlers that harvest groundfish within the United States fishery conservation zone incidentally catch salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and other high-value species worth millions of dollars to Alaska fishermen; and

WHEREAS the incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin and of halibut, crab, and other high-value species significantly and adversely affect Alaska residents who depend upon salmon, halibut, and crab fishing for their livelihood, particularly residents of villages in western Alaska, many of whom have annual incomes that average below federal poverty guidelines; and

WHEREAS domestic fishermen are becoming increasingly involved in the harvest of groundfish within the United States exclusive economic zone; and

WHEREAS it is in the best interest of the state to support the involvement of domestic trawlers in the bottom-fishing industry and to assure that the fishery is developed in a manner consistent with maintaining and protecting traditional fisheries; and

WHEREAS the development of a new fishery for domestic trawlers involved in the harvest of groundfish should not be at the expense of the traditional fisheries of salmon, crab, halibut and other high-value species; and

WHEREAS the experience with the foreign fishing fleet has demonstrated the ability to significantly reduce the incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and other high-value species without adversely affecting the fishery; and

WHEREAS the Magnuson Fisheries Conservation and Management Act is designed to maximize economic benefits to Americans from the use of America's fisheries resources; and

WHEREAS the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act assigns the Secretary of Commerce a nondiscretionary duty to enforce the provisions of that Act to significantly reduce the incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and other high-value species by trawlers involved in the harvest of groundfish; and

WHEREAS the North Pacific Fishery Management Council has the responsibility of implementing the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act and has the authority to implement measures to significantly reduce the incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab and other high-value species by trawlers involved in the harvest of groundfish; and

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature requests the Secretary of Commerce and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to enforce the provisions of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act and to take quick and decisive action to significantly reduce the level of incidental catch of

salmon, halibut, crab, and other high-value species by trawlers fishing for groundfish during times of the year in the United States exclusive economic zone and with the type of gear that can reasonably be expected to result in the taking of salmon, halibut and crab; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Commerce and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council specifically develop and enforce measures that significantly reduce the incidental catch of high-value species by trawlers and other vessels engaged in ground-fishing that have the least adverse affect on the ability of domestic trawlers to engage in the ground-fishing industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature requests the Governor of Alaska to make and aggressively pursue every possible effort, including, but not limited to, judicial action, to persuade the Secretary of Commerce and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to enforce the provisions of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act to significantly reduce the incidental catch of Alaska salmon, crab, halibut and other high value species by the groundfish fleets operating within the United States exclusive economic zone, with the least adverse impact on the ability of domestic trawlers to participate in the ground-fishing industry; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska Legislature requests the Governor of Alaska to aggressively pursue every possible effort to assist Alaska fishermen participating in the ground-fishing industry to significantly reduce the incidental harvest of salmon, crab, halibut and other high-value species, without adversely affecting their ability to participate in the ground-fishing industry.

Introduced: 4/23/86
Referred: Resources

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Relating to the incidental catch of

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high-value fish stocks within the United

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

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WHEREAS art. VIII, sec. 2, Constitution of the State of Alaska, requires the Alaska State Legislature to provide for the utilization, development, and conservation of all natural resources belonging to the state for the maximum benefit of the people of the state; and

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WHEREAS the harvestable surplus of every salmon stock of Alaska origin, and of halibut and crab, are fully used by United States fishermen; and

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WHEREAS trawlers incidentally harvest a significant number of salmon of Alaska origin, and of halibut, crab, and other high-value species worth millions of dollars while targeting groundfish in the United States exclusive economic zone; and

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WHEREAS the incidental harvest of salmon of Alaska origin, and of halibut and crab, by groundfish trawlers in the United States exclusive economic zone is adversely affecting the resource; and

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WHEREAS at times the incidental catch of high-value species by groundfish trawlers in the United States exclusive economic zone has exceeded the catch of these species allocated for Alaska fishermen; and

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10 assure that the fishery is developed in a manner consistent with maintain-
11 ing and protecting traditional fisheries; and

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14 traditional fisheries of salmon, crab, halibut, and other high-value spe-
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21 signed to maximize economic benefits to United States citizens from the use
22 of United States fisheries resources; and

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24 the Secretary of Commerce a nondiscretionary duty to enforce the provisions
25 of that Act to significantly reduce the incidental catch of salmon of
26 Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and other high-value species by trawlers
27 involved in the harvest of groundfish; and

28 WHEREAS the North Pacific Fishery Management Council has the respon-
29 sibility of implementing the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management

1 Act and has the authority to implement measures to significantly reduce the
2 incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and other
3 high-value species by trawlers involved in the harvest of groundfish;

4 BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests
5 the Secretary of Commerce and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council
6 to enforce the provisions of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Manage-
7 ment Act and to take quick and decisive action to significantly reduce the
8 level of incidental catch of salmon of Alaska origin, halibut, crab, and
9 other high-value species by groundfish trawlers in the United States exclu-
10 sive economic zone; and be it

11 FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Department of Commerce and the
12 North Pacific Fishery Management Council are respectfully requested to
13 develop and enforce specific measures that significantly reduce the inci-
14 dental catch of high-value species by trawlers and other vessels engaged in
15 ground-fishing that have the least adverse affect on the ability of domes-
16 tic trawlers to engage in the ground-fishing industry; and be it

17 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully re-
18 quests the Governor of Alaska to aggressively pursue every possible means,
19 including judicial action, of persuading the Secretary of Commerce and the
20 North Pacific Fishery Management Council to enforce the provisions of the
21 Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act to significantly reduce
22 the incidental catch of Alaska salmon, crab, halibut, and other high-value
23 species by the groundfish fleets operating in the United States exclusive
24 economic zone, with the least adverse impact on the ability of United
25 States trawlers to participate in the ground-fishing industry; and be it

26 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature requests the
27 Governor of Alaska to aggressively pursue every possible means of assisting
28 Alaska fishermen who are participating in the ground-fishing industry to
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1 other high-value species, without adversely affecting their ability to
2 participate in the ground-fishing industry.

3 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Malcolm
4 Baldrige, Secretary of Commerce; Jim Campbell, Chairman, North Pacific
5 Fishery Management Council; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the
6 Honorable Frank Murkowski, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S.
7 Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

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4/30/86

Original sponsor: Resources Committee

1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 50 (Resources)

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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STATE OF ALASKA 1986 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
FISCAL NOTE

Revision Date : _____

REQUEST

Bill/Resolution No. : SJR 50
 Title : Relating to the incidental catch of high-value fish stock within the United States exclusive zone
 Sponsor : Sen. Resource Comm.
 Requestor : Sen. Resource Comm.
 Date of Request : April 25, 1986

FISCAL DETAIL

Agency Affected : ADF&G
 BRU : _____
 Components : _____

EXPENDITURES/REVENUES : (Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY 86	FY 87	FY 88	FY 89	FY 90	FY 91
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
TOTAL OPERATING	0	0	0	0	0	0

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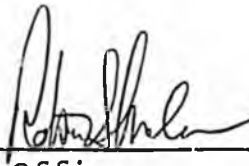
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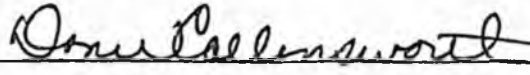
GENERAL FUND	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS						
OTHER						
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0

POSITIONS :

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

ANALYSIS : Attach a separate page if necessary

Prepared by : Roland Shanks  Phone : 465-4100
 Division : Commissioner's Office Date : 4-28-86

Approved by Commissioner : Donna Calensworth  Date : 4-28-86
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Senate Committee on Resources

July 22, 1986

Ray and Linda Yeatts
Box 1477
Petersburg, AK 99833

Dear Ray and Linda:

Thank you for your interest in SJR 51 supporting the Alaska Timber industry and opposing changes to ANILCA during the past legislative session.

As chairman of the Senate Resources Committee, I introduced and supported this legislation. The Senate Resources Committee unanimously endorsed the resolution and it passed the Senate. Unfortunately, the House failed to act on this resolution and it died in the House Rules Committee.

I was pleased to sponsor this legislation because I feel that the timber industry is an important part of our economy and deserves our support. I will continue to work for diversification of the state's economy and jobs for Alaskans.

Please keep in touch.

Sincerely yours,

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Senator Arliss Sturgulewski
Chairman, Senate Resources Committee

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SJR 51 - H. Rules
HJR 75 - H. Rules

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DON KOENIGS
BOX 674
PETERSBURG 99833
772-4204

BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:
REGARDING SJR51(OR HJR75), I STRONGLY URGE THE RESOURCE COMMITTEE TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. SOUTHEASTERN ALASKA RESIDENTS NEED A DIVERSIFIED ECONOMY OF WHICH THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IS A VITAL PART. CONGRESS SHOULD RECEIVE THAT MESSAGE FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA REGARDING ANILCA'S TIMBER PROVISIONS. THEY NEED NOT BE REVIS ED.

DATE: 04/28/86 TIME: 10:51:36 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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REPRESENTATIVE: ROBIN L. TAYLOR
SENATOR: BETTYE M. FAHRENKAMP
SENATOR: JOHN B. (JACK) COGHILL
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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: KENT REID
BOX 174
PETERSBURG
772-3402

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BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I URGE PASSAGE OF SJR51. THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IS VITAL TO THE
ECONOMY OF SOUTHEAST ALASKA.

DATE: 05/08/86 TIME: 09:17:20 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: DELL JOHNSON
BOX 1273
PETERSBURG
772-4857

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I URGE YOU TO SUPPORT SJRS1. THANK YOU.

DATE: 05/08/86 TIME: 10:11:19 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: RALPH BUZARD, MAYOR PRO TEM
BOX 87
PETERSBURG
772-4480

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE SUPPORT RES. 1073R AS PRESENTED FROM THE PETERSBURG
CITY COUNCIL. THANK YOU.

DATE: 05/08/86 TIME: 10:28:14 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: ERNIE HAUGEN
BOX 1049
PETERSBURG
772-3142

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT MAINTAINING THE MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE CUT IN THE TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST. ANY REDUCTIONS IN THE ANNUAL CUT PRESENTLY ALLOWED WILL DRASTICALLY EFFECT THE ECONOMY OF SOUTHEAST ALASKA.

DATE: 05/08/86 TIME: 10:49:38 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JACKIE DURETTE
10117 SILVER ST.
JUNEAU, AK
789-3585

99801

BILL NO:

SUBJECT: ANILCA HEARINGS

MESSAGE:

THIS IS IN SUPPORT OF THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA TIMBER INDUSTRY CALLING FOR NO CHANGES IN THE FEDERAL ACT GOVERNING TIMBER HARVESTING. THE LOGGING INDUSTRY HAS BEEN A VITAL INDUSTRY IN SOUTHEAST FOR THE PAST TWENTY YEARS AND IT IS ESSENTIAL TO RETAIN THE ALLOWED CUT WHICH IS STATED IN THE ALASKA LANDS ACT AS IT IS PRESENTLY WRITTEN.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 11:36:21 SENT BY: JUNEAU LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: STAN LANGAKER
BOX 1270
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
2-4443

BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA
MESSAGE:

**I STRONGLY URGE PASSAGE OF THIS PIECE OF LEGISLATION. IT IS VITAL
TO TIMBER AND RELATED INDUSTRIES. IT IS ALSO VITAL TO OUR COMMUNITY.
WITHOUT THESE INDUSTRIES, SOUTHEAST WOULD CEASE TO EXIST.**

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 13:40:55 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: RONN BUSCHMANN
BOX 1367
PETERSBURG, AK
772-3003

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE PASSAGE OF SJR 51. THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IS AN
INTEGRAL COMPONENT OF THE SOUTHEAST ALASKA ECONOMY, WHICH NEEDS OUR
SUPPORT.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 13:43:19 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: CELIA CARLSON
BOX 1232
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3765

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

**I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE ANILCA RESOLUTION. I FEEL THAT THE TIMBER
INDUSTRY IS A VIABLE RESOURCE AND VERY IMPORTANT TO THE ECONOMIC
STABILITY OF ALASKA.**

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 13:45:00 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

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SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: RAY & LINDA YEATTS
BOX 1477
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-9206

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

**WE STRONGLY URGE PASSAGE OF SJR 51. THE TIMBER INDUSTRY NEEDS
SUPPORT AND PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN THE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF
OUR COMMUNITIES.**

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 13:50:54 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: TOM CHRISTIAN
BOX 1477
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-9206

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY URGE PASSAGE OF THE ANILCA RESOLUTION. THE TIMBER
INDUSTRY MUST BE SUPPORTED, AS IT PLAYS A VITAL ROLE IN THE
ECONOMIC STABILITY OF OUR COMMUNITIES.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 13:52:29 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: GREG EINERSON
BOX 307
PETERSBURG
772-3489

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR51. THE TIMBER INDUSTRY, AS WELL AS ALL INDUSTRIES THAT PROVIDE EMPLOYMENT FOR ALASKA, NEEDS YOUR SUPPORT. THE ECONOMIC SURVIVAL OF OUR COMMUNITIES DEPENDS ON ALL INDUSTRIES AND RENEWABLE RESOURCES. PLEASE SUPPORT SJR51. THANK YOU.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 14:28:04 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: ARLENE PENCE, CITY COUNCIL MEMBER
BOX 993
PETERSBURG 99833
772-3067

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I URGE YOU TO VOTE FOR SJR51 IN ORDER THAT THE STATE CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE TIMBER INDUSTRY TO PROVIDE A DIVERSIFIED ECONOMICAL BASE FOR SOUTHEAST ALASKA. THE PETERSBURG CITY COUNCIL RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE TESTIMONY IN FAVOR OF A PETERSBURG RESOLUTION SIMILAR TO THE SJR51 WHICH WAS PASSED MONDAY NIGHT.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 15:13:26 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: RICK BRAUN
BOX 211
PETERSBURG
772-3986

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: 9

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT EXISTING ANILCA LEGISLATION WHICH INCLUDES \$40M.
ANNUAL TIMBER SUPPORT FUND AND \$50MBF ANNUAL TIMBER HARVEST
LIMIT. I OPPOSE ANY INCREASE IN WILDERNESS AREAS.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 15:37:20 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: MAX WORHATCH
BOX 986
PETERSBURG
772-4695

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

TIMBER AS BEEN A VITAL PART OF OUR ECONOMY IN THE PAST AND
IS MORE IMPORTANT PART OF OUR FUTURE ECONOMIC BASE THAN EVER
BEFORE. YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED NOW FOR SJR51.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 15:40:52 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DAVE CARLSON
BOX 3765
PETERSBURG 99833
772-3765

BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA
MESSAGE:

PLEASE SUPPORT SJR51. IN LIGHT OF DRASTICALLY DECLINING OIL REVENUES OUR COMMUNITIES NEED OUR TRADITIONAL RESOURCE AND ECONOMIC BASE IN ORDER TO SURVIVE. THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IS VITAL TO ALL THE COMMUNITIES IN SE ALASKA. PLEASE SUPPORT SJR51. YOUR VOTE "YES" IS A VOTE FOR OUR COMMUNITEE.

DATE: 05/07/86 TIME: 15:44:17 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

**FROM: VICKI HAYES
P.O. BOX 404
CRAIG
N/A**

99921

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

**I SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF SJR 51 AND HJR 75. I DON'T WANT TO SEE
PRINCE OF WALES ISLAND TURNED INTO A WILDERNESS AREA.**

DATE: 05/05/86 TIME: 08:50:35 SENT BY: SITKA LIO

**COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS**

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

**FROM: CAROL KANDOLL
BOX 1363
PETERSBURG
772-3430**

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

**I AM A FISHERMAN'S WIFE AND I SUPPORT SJR 51. THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT
BE VIEWED AS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE FISHING AND TIMBER INDUSTRIES.
DON'T LET OUTSIDE INFLUENCES MUDDY THE WATER.**

DATE: 05/05/86 TIME: 09:21:39 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

**COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS**

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: TERRI SWANSON
BOX 924
PETERSBURG 99833
772-3187

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE LEAVE ANILCA AS IT IS. IT IS TIME TO GET OUR STATE FINANCIALLY STABLE. IT CANNOT BE DONE WITH AN OVEREMPHASIS ON WILDERNESS AREAS, OVERFISHING OR OVERCUTTING THE FORESTS. PLEASE VOTE FOR SJR 5L.

DATE: 05/05/86 TIME: 09:32:26 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

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PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: MR & MRS. JERRY LUTTON
BOX 405
CRAIG, AK. 99921
826-3364

BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA
MESSAGE:

WE SUPPORT THIS BILL. WE ARE AGAINST ANY MORE WILDERNESS
AREA DESIGNATION IN ALASKA.

WE SUPPORT HJR 75 FOR THE SAME REASON.

DATE: 05/03/86 TIME: 09:14:58 SENT BY: SITKA LIO

COPIES TO: REPRESENTATIVE: PETER GOLL
SENATOR: RICHARD I. (DICK) ELIASON
HOUSE RESOURCES
SENATE RESOURCES

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: VIRGIL GILES
BOX 281
WRANGELL, AK
874-3783

99929

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE ENDORSE SJR 51. I SPEAK AS A LONGSHOREMAN
AND CONCERNED CITIZEN IN SUPPORT OF THIS BILL.

DATE: 05/02/86 TIME: 07:20:24 SENT BY: KETCHIKAN LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JOE PENTTILA
BOX 1069
PETERSBURG
772-3531

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY URGE THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE TO SUPPORT THIS
RESOLUTION. WE NEED TO ENHANCE OUR ECONOMIC STANCE RATHER
THAN PUSH IT FURTHER INTO A NEGATIVE POSITION. WE CANNOT
BEAR FURTHER RESTRICTIONS ON OUR INDUSTRIES.

DATE: 05/02/86 TIME: 08:12:54 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JACK MCKERNAN
BOX 1290
PETERSBURG
772-3449

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF THE LEGISLATURE DUE TO THE ONSLAUGHT
OF THE OBSTRUCTIONIST GROUPS THAT ARE TRYING TO STOP THE
LOGGING AND ROADBUILDING IN THE TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST.
THIS SHOULD NOT BE AN ISSUE BETWEEN THE FISHING AND LOGGING
INDUSTRIES.

DATE: 05/02/86 TIME: 09:14:05 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: PATRICIA A. LEHMAN
BOX 210
CRAIG, AK
826-3364

99921

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. IN LIGHT OF OUR DECLINING
OIL REVENUES IT IS MOST IMPORTANT WE SUPPORT ALL OF
OUR INDUSTRIES IN SOUTHEAST ALASKA.

DATE: 05/02/86 TIME: 09:33:46 SENT BY: KETCHIKAN LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JOHN SCOBLIC
BOX 48
PETERSBURG
772-3833

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I VERY MUCH SUPPORT SJR51 AND URGE YOU TO VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE RESOLUTION. THE PROVISIONS OF ANILCA WERE A COMPROMISE REACHED BY PEOPLE WHO WERE SUPPOSED TO KNOW WHAT THEY WERE DOING. NOW AT REVIEW TIME ONE SIDE IS TRYING TO UNDO THE COMPROMISE. BOTH SIDES MUST BE HEARD.

DATE: 05/01/86 TIME: 16:23:11 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: FAYE ENNIS
BOX 263
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3133
BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA
MESSAGE:
SUPPORT SJR 51 TO CONTINUE THE ANILCA CONCEPT.

DATE: 05/01/86 TIME: 13:18:16 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: MIKE DEAN
BOX 30
PETERSBURG
772-3269

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

DUE TO THE EXTREME IMPORTANCE OF THE TIMBER INDUSTRY TO THE ECONOMY OF PETERSBURG, I SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 51, RELATING TO THE ALASKA NATIONAL INTEREST LANDS CONSERVATION ACT, SECTIONS 705 AND 706.

DATE: 05/01/86 TIME: 14:20:14 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DAVID R. CARLSON
BOX 1232
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3765

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. IN LIGHT OF DRASTICALLY DECLINING OIL REVENUES, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT OUR TRADITIONAL ECONOMIC INDUSTRIES BE SUPPORTED. WITH THE ONSLAUGHT IN CONGRESS BY THE PRESERVATIONIST GROUPS TO FURTHER CRIPPLE THE TIMBER INDUSTRY, IT IS VITAL THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE PASSED.

DATE: 04/29/86 TIME: 12:13:57 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: KERRY HARGAND
BOX 1743
PETERSBURG 99833
772-3164

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE VOTE FOR SJR 51 IN SUPPORT OF THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IN ALASKA.
IT IS YOUR LIVLIHOOD AS WELL AS THAT OF ALL OF US IN THE INDUSTRY.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 09:37:17 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: ED LAPEYRI
BOX 852
PETERSBURG
772-3708

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT SJR 51 AS PROPOSED. I FEEL WE HAVE ENOUGH WILDERNESS NOW TO SATISFY THE PEOPLE WHO WANT A WILDERNESS EXPERIENCE. AND MORE IMPORTANTLY, THIS SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED AS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE FISHING AND TIMBER INDUSTRIES.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 09:25:57 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JOHN LAPEYRI
BOX 1541
PETERSBURG
772-3541

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF SJRS1. WE MUST SUPPORT THE TIMBER
INDUSTRY.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 09:53:33 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: COLYN LYONS
BOX 74
PETERSBURG
772-4638

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT SJR 51. TIMBER IS MY LIVLIHOOD AND ALSO A MAJOR ECONOMIC
BASE IN SOUTHEAST ALASKA.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 09:57:07 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JUDITH L. BECK
BOX 1163
PETERSBURG
772-3951

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT SJR 51 IN ITS ENTIRETY.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:07:05 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: PETE LITSHEIM
BOX 856
PETERSBURG
772-3275

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I AM AN ALASKAN INTERESTED IN A VIABLE ECONOMY. THEREFORE, I
SUPPORT THIS NEEDED RESOLUTIONS.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:03:52 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: LAURENCE BECK
BOX 1163
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3957

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJRS1. THIS AREA NEEDS A STRONG
DIVERSIFIED ECONOMY MADE UP OF FISHING, LOGGING, ETC.
OBSTRUCTIONIST GROUPS ARE TRYING TO PIT THE TIMBER AND FISHING
INDUSTRIES AGAINST EACH OTHER. THIS SHOULD NOT BE THE ISSUE.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:15:28 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: NORMAN BARNES
BOX 242
PETERSBURG
772-3093

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT OUR
TRADITIONAL ECONOMIC BASES BE SUPPORTED AND PROTECTED FROM THIS
ONSLAUGHT BY OBSTRUCTIONIST GROUPS. THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT BE
SEEN AS TIMBER VERSUS FISHING, BUT AS OUTSIDE INFLUENCE TRYING
TO DIVIDE AND CONQUER. THANK YOU.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:22:19 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: JIM GOVE, EC. DEV. /WRG
BOX 531
WRANGELL, AK 99929
874-2381

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE ENDORSE SJR 51, INCLUDING TERM "WILDERNESS,"
LINE 14-15, PAGE 2. BOTH CITY COUNCIL AND CHAMBER
OF WRANGELL HAVE UNANIMOUSLY PASSED SAME RESOLUTION.
ECONOMIC FUTURE OF ALASKA ENDANGERED. WE ASK YOUR
SUPPORT.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:44:44 SENT BY: KETCHIKAN LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DONALD J. THORSTEINSON
BOX 728
PETERSBURG 99833
772-3516

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51 . IT IS OF EXTREME IMPORTANCE
THAT TRADITIONAL ECONOMIC BASES BE SUPPORTED AND PROTECTED FROM
PRESERVATIONIST GROUPS

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:38:16 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: LARS EIDE
BOX 942
PETERSBURG
772-4484

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

VOTE FOR SJR51 IN SUPPORT OF TIMBER INDUSTRY OF ALASKA.
IT IS YOUR LIVELIHOOD AS WELL AS THAT OF ALL OF US IN THE
INDUSTRY.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 11:27:17 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: LARRY M. GIBB
BOX 1372
PETERSBURG, AK
772-3816

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT OUR TRADITIONAL ECONOMIC BASES BE SUPPORTED AND PROTECTED FROM THIS ONSLAUGHT BY OBSTRUCTIONIST GROUPS. THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT BE SEEN AS TIMBER VERSUS FISHING, BUT AS OUTSIDE INFLUENCE TRYING TO DIVIDE AND CONQUER.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 14:10:37 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DAN L. SYKES
BOX 884
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3816

BILL NO: SJR 51
SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA
MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. IN LIGHT OF FALLING OIL REVENUES, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT OUR TIMBER INDUSTRIES BE SUPPORTED BY ALL ALASKANS TO ENSURE A STRONG STATE ECONOMY. FOR OUR LONG-RANGE FUTURE IT IS VITAL THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE PASSED.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 14:05:03 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: BRENDA NORHEIM
BOX 935
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3671

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF SJR 51. THIS AREA NEEDS A
DIVERSIFIED ECONOMIC BASE TO CONTINUE TO PROSPER. ALL INDUSTRIES,
FISHING, AND LOGGING SHOULD BE SUPPORTED.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 13:33:05 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: SKIP HALLINGSTAD
BOX 228
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-4768

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I VERY MUCH SUPPORT THE PASSAGE OF SJR 51. I FEEL IT IS IMPORTANT FOR ONE OF OUR ECONOMIC BASES TO BE SUPPORTED AND PROTECTED.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 13:23:29 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: DAN NEWPORT
BOX 1105
PETERSBURG, AK 99833
772-3682

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

ENVIRONMENTALISM HAS GONE TO AN EXTREME. I AM AN ENVIRONMENTALIST AND A CONCERNED CITIZEN OF THE STATE OF ALASKA. MY CONCERN IS MAINLY THAT COMMON LABORERS OF THIS INDUSTRY ARE BEING WIPED OUT. THERE'S NO CONFLICT BETWEEN THIS INDUSTRY'S LABORERS & FISHING. BOTH UTILIZE NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE ECONOMY AND THE WELL-BEING OF ALL.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 13:14:10 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: LINDA J. CRAMER
BOX 1563
PETERSBURG
772-3816

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I STRONGLY SUPPORT PASSAGE OF SJR 51. THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT BE VIEWED
AS A CONFLICT BETWEEN TIMBER AND FISHING.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 12:11:43 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI
FROM: BILL PRIVETT, MAYOR OF WRANGELL
PO BOX 555 99929
WRANGELL, AK
874-2381

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

PLEASE ENDORSE SJR 51, INCLUDING THE TERM "WILDERNESS,"
LINE 14-15, PAGE 2. BOTH CITY COUNCIL AND CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE OF WRANGELL HAVE UNANIMOUSLY PASSED SAME
RESOLUTION. ECONOMIC FUTURE OF ALASKA ENDANGERED. WE
ASK YOUR SUPPORT.

DATE: 04/30/86 TIME: 14:36:03 SENT BY: KETCHIKAN LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

PUBLIC OPINION MESSAGE

Handwritten initials

TO: SENATOR ARLISS STURGULEWSKI

FROM: JOHN W. JOHNSON
BOX 1273
PETERSBURG, AK
772-3791

99833

BILL NO: SJR 51

SUBJECT: ALASKA TIMBER AND ANILCA

MESSAGE:

I SUPPORT SJR 51.
WE MUST PROTECT JOBS AND DIVERSIFY OUR ECONOMY.
DO NOT CHANGE ANILCA.

DATE: 04/28/86 TIME: 15:01:40 SENT BY: PETERSBURG LIO

COPIES TO: HOUSE MEMBERS
SENATE MEMBERS

Original sponsor: Resources Committee

1 IN THE SENATE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 51 (Resources)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 Relating to the Alaska National Interest
6 Lands Conservation Act Sections 705 and
7 706.

8 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

9 WHEREAS the timber industry is an important industry and a major
10 contributor to the economy of the state; and

11 WHEREAS tourism, commercial fishing, and recreation industries are
12 also vital to Southeast Alaska and are major contributors to the state's
13 and region's economy; and

14 WHEREAS the passage of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
15 Act (ANILCA) recognized the importance of these industries to the state;
16 and

17 WHEREAS Section 705 of ANILCA was a compromise between those advocat-
18 ing wilderness additions, those supporting a viable timber industry, and
19 those concerned about other values within the Tongass National Forest; and

20 WHEREAS Section 705 provided for a timber supply fund to make timber
21 harvest in marginally economic stands economically feasible; and

22 WHEREAS Section 705 authorized a timber supply harvest goal of 4.5
23 billion board feet per decade; and

24 WHEREAS Congress's objective in Section 705 was to maintain employment
25 in the dependent timber industry of Southeast Alaska at pre-ANILCA levels,
26 while ensuring that other resource values and public uses would be pro-
27 tected on nonwilderness land in accordance with Federal law and the Tongass
28 Land Management Plan; and

29 WHEREAS Section 705 has not been properly implemented, particularly as

1 a result of the forest service's failure to allocate Section 705 funds in
2 accordance with representations it made to Congress at the time of ANILCA's
3 passage; and

4 WHEREAS Congress is about to begin oversight hearings to consider
5 Section 705 of ANILCA;

6 BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that Section 705 of
7 ANILCA not be amended so that the delicate compromise crafted by Congress
8 balancing values within the Tongass National Forest be maintained; and be
9 it

10 FURTHER RESOLVED that the forest service continue to manage the
11 Tongass National Forest in a manner that will maintain the balance between
12 jobs and development, and fish, wildlife, recreation, and wilderness in
13 Southeast Alaska, and that the timber harvest level of 4.5 billion board
14 feet per decade be maintained; and be it

15 FURTHER RESOLVED that the Tongass Timber Supply Fund be adequately
16 funded and spent in accordance with the manner and for the items that the
17 forest service advised Congress it would spend the funds; and be it

18 FURTHER RESOLVED that before Congress begins any further consideration
19 of ANILCA that hearings be held within the State of Alaska.

20 COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Ronald
21 Reagan, President of the United States; to the Honorable George Bush,
22 Vice-President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate; to
23 the Honorable Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neill, Jr., Speaker of the U.S. House of
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 4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Editorial

What to expect

We expect another verbal assault on the Alaska timber industry in Washington, D.C. this week. The House subcommittee on lands, chaired by Rep. John Seiberling, is holding an oversight hearing on the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act.

The Wilderness Society is the lead conservation agency in a battle to amend ANILCA to eliminate the 450 million board foot per year cut guarantee to the timber industry and the \$40 million per year authorized to make that amount of timber available.

Those provisions were put in ANILCA to assure that putting five million acres of Southeastern Alaska in wilderness would not reduce the number of jobs in the industry. Unfortunately, the number of jobs dropped because of the economy. Now that the industry is down, the environmentalist want to finish it off in Southeast by taking those provisions out of ANILCA and canceling the long term sales to the two pulp mills. The half-truths they use to bolster their arguments have served only to reduce the credibility of the conservation organizations in Alaska. But in Washington they do have supporters such as Seiberling.

Some Alaskans are rallying to support the timber industry. We hope to see a more balanced news story out of Washington, D.C. than has been the experience in the past. The Alaska Legislature has before it a resolution supporting the 450 million board foot cut and the financial support to make the timber available. It appears the resolution will pass in time for the Congressional hearing.

Many communities' legislative bodies have passed similar resolutions. Smaller communities where the conservation movement is strong have passed resolutions condemning the Forest Service and the timber industry.

We hate to see a rehash of the battle for Alaska lands that raged for over two years and resulted in ANILCA. But it was ordained. The environmental community didn't gain all they wanted in 1980, a complete lock up of Southeast from developers.

If Alaskans want to continue living in Southeast and enjoying it, they should wake up to the nationally guided lockup threat and support the timber industry. Or, after the timber industry is gone, then it will be mining, then commercial fishing, and on down the line.

Editorial

An accurate report

Regional forester Mike Barton has forwarded a status report on the Tongass National Forest to Congress. Under terms of the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act passed in 1980, a report of the effect of ANILCA on Tongass National Forest, its resources and people was to be made to Congress within five years. The draft of the report was ready by the deadline and now four months later the final version is on the way.

It's an accurate report, judging by reactions. None of the cooperating agencies is happy. Strangely, none of the agencies dispute the report. They simply use the report as a means of advancing their own special interests, or, in the case of the state of Alaska, to make political points. The state agrees with all of the critics.

Environmentalists, as could be predicted, want less logging and other activity in the Tongass. Southeastern Alaska Conservation Council begins its comments with "The troubled Tongass: How our taxes subsidize the devastation of America's largest national forest." They go on to "endless rhythm and beauty is threatened with destruction," and proceed to say how things would be better if the portion of ANILCA aiding the timber industry was repealed and the long-term timber sales supporting the two pulp mills were canceled. Nothing argues with the report.

The Alaska Loggers Association, of course, wants the forest Service to use more of the money made available under ANILCA to help the depressed timber industry.

Sealaska Corporation wants the Forest Service to make the pulp mills buy their pulp logs and keep anyone from competing with them in the round log market.

The fishermen were brief in their comments, probably because it is hard to say logging and forest management are harming fisheries after the area has experienced six record salmon seasons in a row.

The state agrees with all of the above, which does little to settle the issues, and recommends that Congress hold hearings on Forest Service management of the national forest.

A hearing will be held May 7-8 in Washington before the House Subcommittee on Public Lands. It will be little more than a soap box for the environmental community to repeat its views. Chairman John Seiberling has championed their cause. The environmentalists on Prince of Wales Island, who pulled their well publicized stunt Monday of saying they would secede from the union, knew when the hearings were to be held a full day before Alaska Congressman Don Young, who sits on the committee. That tells how the hearing is stacked. With a pipeline like that to Congress, why secede?

Which gets us off the subject of the Forest Service report, as other commenting on it got off the track.

Briefly, the status of the Tongass is that ANILCA solved nothing in southeastern Alaska. The comments in the report from cooperating agencies proves that, which tells us the report is especially fair and accurate.

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April 26, 1986

TO: All Members
Senate Resources Committee

FROM: Staff, Senate Resources Committee

RE: SJR 51 ⁷ Endorsing support for the timber
industry

Congress is about to begin hearings on ANILCA in Washington, D.C., and SJR 51 urges that there not be any amendments that would cause economic damage to the existing timber industry.

The resolution further urges that: (1) the current timber harvest level of 4.5 billion board feet per decade be maintained; (2) the timber supply fund be maintained and adequately funded; (3) no reduction be made in the land area available for timber harvest; (4) no additions be made to wilderness areas; and (5) public hearings be held in Alaska before any further consideration of ANILCA by Congress.

There is a zero fiscal note.

Enclosure:
Status of the Tongass National Forest,
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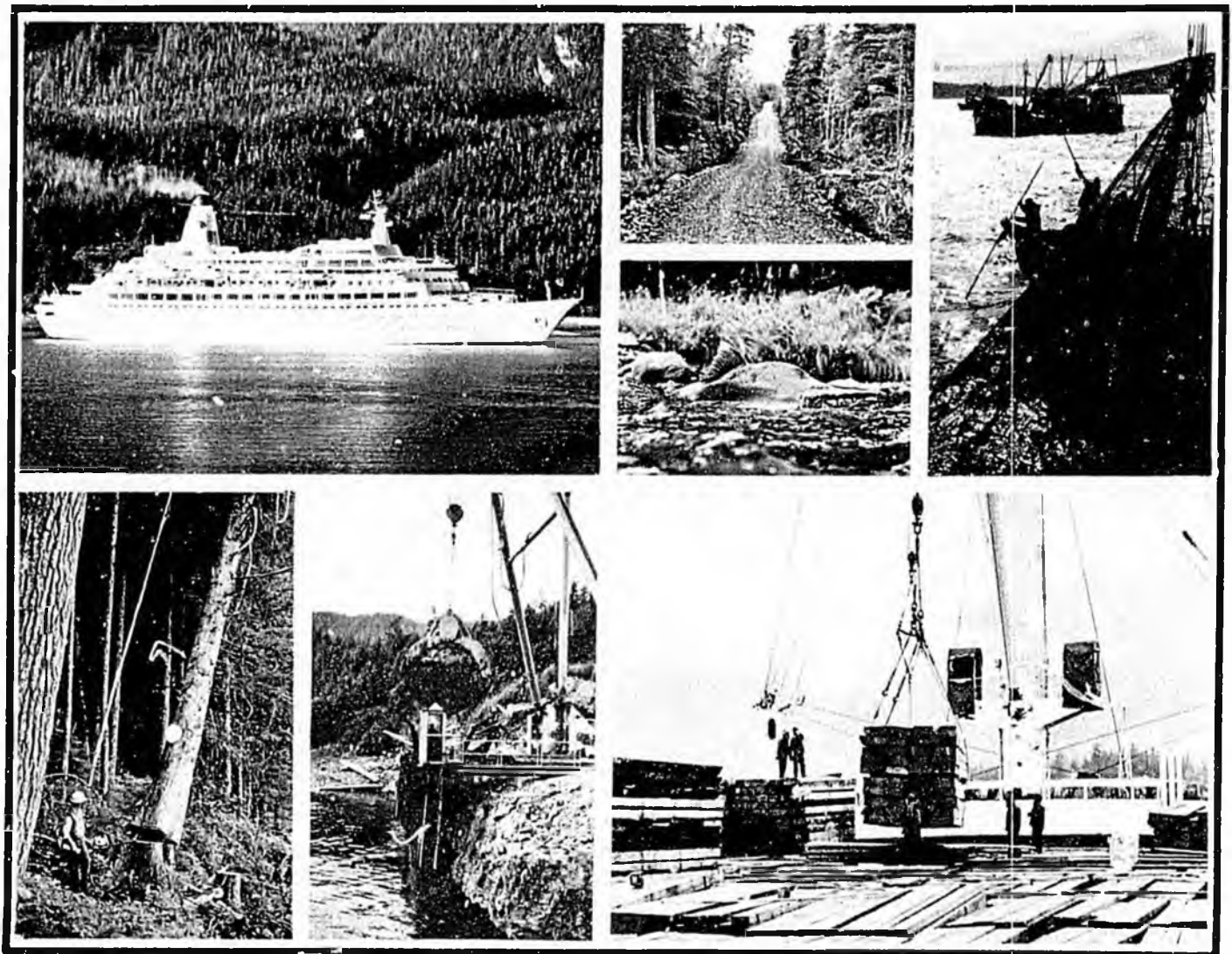
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Status of the Tongass National Forest

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STATUS OF THE TONGASS NATIONAL FOREST

ALASKA NATIONAL INTEREST LANDS CONSERVATION ACT

Section 706(b), Report Number 1

United States Department of Agriculture
Forest Service

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BACKGROUND

The Alaska Region of the Forest Service has been preparing a Report on the Status of the Tongass National Forest called for by Congress in the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act (ANILCA), Sections 706 (b) and (c). The report is due to be released in mid-April and includes information on important facets of Tongass National Forest management: Tongass timber harvest levels, impacts of Wilderness designation on timber, fishing, and tourism industries, protection measures for fish and wildlife, and the status of the small business set aside program. The Executive Summary from the report is attached.

Information for the report was drawn from many sources, including the timber industry, several Departments of the State of Alaska, and Forest Service records.

The report was prepared along with five "cooperators" named in ANILCA: the State, the affected Native Corporations, the Southeast Alaska timber industry, the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council (SEACC), and the Alaska Land Use Council (ALUC). At the urging of Senator Ted Stevens, a group of commercial fishing organizations were also invited to participate.

During preparation of the report, the Forest Service invited the cooperators to review and comment on study plans and the draft report. As a result, changes were made that strengthened the report. The cooperators were also asked to present their own views in the form of a "Cooperators' Chapter" in the final report to Congress.

The cooperators have made some key points that emphasize their desires for and concerns about the Tongass National Forest, including:

- The Forest Service should terminate the Alaska Pulp Corporation and Louisiana Pacific-Ketchikan long-term timber sales. (SEACC)
- The Forest Service has not used the funds provided through Section 705(a) of ANILCA properly. The road program on the Tongass National Forest has not been fully funded. (State and timber industry)
- The Forest Service has not provided adequate protection for fisheries resources while conducting the timber program. (State, SEACC, and Commercial Fishing Groups)
- The Forest Service has not provided adequate protection for the habitat of the Sitka Black-tailed Deer while conducting the timber program. Over time, the timber program will lead to dramatic declines in critical deer habitat and, therefore, deer populations. (State and SEACC)
- Forest Service timber policies have had negative effects on the Native Corporations' timber programs. (State, Sealaska, and SEACC)





In addition to broader topics, the Report on the Status of the Tongass National Forest addresses the cooperators' desires and concerns:

- The long-term sales were established with the support of local, State, and federal governments and private interests to improve community and economic stability in Southeast Alaska, and given the effects of market changes, they have done so. Grounds to terminate the contracts have never appeared, not even during recent Department of Justice evaluations of anti-trust violations.
- Congress designated Wilderness areas in ANILCA that contained high-quality timber that had previously been potentially available to the timber industry. Congress provided funds to make the cost of harvesting sales containing poorer-quality timber outside the Wildernesses roughly equal to the cost of harvesting the average timber sale sold prior to 1979 and the Tongass Land Management Plan. The ANILCA funding was designed mainly to adjust for changes in the quality of timber available to the industry, and was not designed to insure profits in times of poor timber markets.
- Other federal and State agencies and the Forest Service are cooperating and funding research programs to determine the best methods of protecting fisheries. As improved methods are developed and tested, they are put into practice in new timber sales. An example is the use of "large woody debris": root wads, stems and larger tree limbs. Up until recently, timber operators were required to remove such material from streams in timber sale areas. Today, researchers generally agree that some large woody debris is beneficial to the fisheries habitat and timber operators must add some to parts of streams identified by fisheries biologists.
- Over 4.1 million acres of deer winter habitat were identified on the Tongass in 1979. If present use patterns continue over a century, almost 2.9 million acres will remain in the same condition as identified in 1979. Therefore, in 2079, over 70% of the total deer habitat would remain unchanged. This does not mean that total deer populations would necessarily decline by 30% or, accordingly, that hunter demands would not be met.
- During the Congressional deliberations on ANILCA, the Senate reduced their proposal for timber supply from the Tongass from 5.2 billion board feet to 4.5 billion board feet per decade. In part, this reduction reflected the potential timber harvest on newly conveyed Native Corporation lands. Since then, market forces such as depressed demand, increased international competition, and currency exchange rates have had far more impact on Native Corporation log sales than the sales of processed logs cut on the National Forests.

Last week, the Executive Summary was shared with Congress and the cooperators.

