

Senate Memorials

SENATE MEMORIAL NO. 1.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, THE UNITED STATES SENATE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES and THE DELEGATE FROM ALASKA:

Your Memorialist, the Territorial Senate of the Territory of Alaska, in eleventh regular session assembled, hereby most earnestly and respectfully represents:

WHEREAS, it appears to be the present policy of the Federal Government to cause a general and material reduction in wages and/or salaries paid its officials and employees in the services of the Federal Government in the Territory of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, there are many Federal Officials and employees residing in sparsely settled districts of Alaska, far from any direct line or lines of transportation; and

WHEREAS, for the reasons above stated no official schedule of the cost price of living in Alaska has been or can with anything like accuracy be given with the information and data at hand or available at this time; and

WHEREAS, the cost of living, anywhere in Alaska, is much greater than it is in any state of the Union because and for the reason of its isolation and the cost of transportation;

WHEREFORE, your Memorialist, prays that the President and Congress will, before making or authorizing any material reduction in wages or salaries of its officials and employees in the Territory of Alaska, cause an investigation of the true conditions and a schedule price of the cost of living in Alaska to be officially studied and determined and the salaries of Federal Employees in the Territory of Alaska to be adjusted from the findings of this survey.

Passed by the Senate April 20, 1933.