

# House Joint Resolutions

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18

**Relating to research programs for the shrimp industry.**

**Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, recent federal research in the Gulf of Alaska has revealed great quantities of commercial shrimp; and

WHEREAS, as a result of these incomplete findings the shrimp industry has greatly increased its capital investment and activity in Alaska thus adding a further great potential product to the fisheries of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the further expansion of this potentially great fishery is directly dependent on detailed information avail-

able about the habits and habitat of the shrimp; and

WHEREAS, the State of Alaska has as yet no exhaustive information nor adequate facilities for the investigation of the sources and habit of this potentially great resource;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the State Department of Fish and Game proceed with all possible speed and dispatch to establish an adequate research program to facilitate the swift advancement of this struggling industry.

Passed by the House February 3, 1960.

Passed by the Senate February 10, 1960.

## HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 21

**Relating to the proposed deactivation of the 71st Air Rescue Squadron.**

**Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, the 71st Air Rescue Squadron, stationed at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, has been of immeasurable service and value to the people of Alaska, both civilian and military; and

WHEREAS, it is proposed that this invaluable and essential air rescue squadron be deactivated for economy reasons; and

WHEREAS, the need for this air rescue squadron in Alaska is no less great, indeed greater, than ever before; and

WHEREAS, while Alaska is the most air minded state in the Union for want of other means of transportation, it is also the most hazardous state in which to fly because of its fierce and unpredictable storms, its rugged mountains, and its unique meteorological and geophysical

conditions which often cause complete radio black-outs over large areas; and

WHEREAS, these hazards are multiplied by the absence of the many safety facilities for flying in the other states, such as beacon-lighted flyways, interlocking radio directional systems, large numbers of emergency landing strips, ubiquitous roads for rescue operations and guides to lost pilots; and

WHEREAS, these conditions demand not only that there be a rescue force in being, but also such a rescue force be specially trained and of the highest caliber, such as the 71st Air Rescue Squadron; and

WHEREAS, the deactivation of the 71st Air Rescue Squadron may cause aggravated injury and death of dozens of flyers, both military and civilian;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that it vigorously opposes the proposed deactivation of the 71st Air Rescue Squadron, that it