

## Senate Resolutions

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 12

**Relating to the construction of a perimeter road at Bethel.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, the community of Bethel has suffered erosion by the river into the town area; and

WHEREAS, such erosion has made it necessary for additional town site lots to be made available by the Bureau of Land Management in areas away from the river; and

WHEREAS, the community of Bethel has recently acquired long needed improvements in the form of a new armory and a new school building adjacent to the new town site lots; and

WHEREAS, these facilities and the new town site area are presently somewhat inaccessible by road to the rest of the community; and

WHEREAS, construction of a perimeter road around this area would make the area immediately usable and the new improvements accessible; and

WHEREAS, the state Department of Public Works has the necessary authority and staff to construct needed state roads in such communities as Bethel;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Governor of the State of Alaska and the Commissioner of Public Works take such steps as are necessary to construct a perimeter road at Bethel as above described; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; and the Honorable Richard Downing, Commissioner of Public Works.

Passed by the Senate February 24, 1960.

### SECOND COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 13

**Relating to the construction of air strips in various Alaskan communities.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, many small communities throughout Alaska are without air fields, roads, or other transportation facilities; and

WHEREAS, in many cases air strips at these villages would improve the health, welfare and economy, and would have great potential value in the tourist trade; and

WHEREAS, the construction of air strips in these communities would serve to reduce the cost of freight on the necessities of life; and

WHEREAS, most of these communities have for many years made efforts directed toward the construction of air strips; and

WHEREAS, in many cases preliminary studies have been made by the former State Department of Aviation, but so far no actual construction has been undertaken;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the governor of the State of Alaska and the commissioner of public works take necessary action during the 1960 construction season to complete, from the first funds available to the division of aviation, not otherwise allocated, construction of air strips at Chandalar Lake site, New Stuyukuk, Pedro Bay, Perryville, Clarks Point, Chignik, King Cove, Kodiak, Barrow, Old Harbor, Alitak, Karluk, Afognak, Ouzinkie, Niniichik, Soldotna, Kasilof, Fox River, Stebbins, Holy Cross, Kaltag, Holikachuck, Egegik, Savoonga, Basin Creek extension, Shageluk, and Anvik; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of

this resolution be sent to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska; and the Honorable Richard A. Downing,

Commissioner of Public Works.

Passed by the Senate March 15, 1960.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 15

**Relating to the reconstruction of the footbridge across the Ninilchik River at the village of Ninilchik.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, the footbridge crossing from the village of Ninilchik over the Ninilchik River to the narrow peninsula of land on which the Berman Packing Company and Cold Storage facilities are located has fallen down and is, therefore, completely unusable; and

WHEREAS, the absence of the footbridge has made it necessary for those Ninilchik residents who are employed at the packing company's facilities to travel by a long and circuitous route of several miles in order to reach the place of their employment at the packing plant where approximately thirty-five workers are employed in the summer; and

WHEREAS, such a long and circuitous

travel route, being expensive, time-consuming, and inconvenient, imposes an undue hardship upon those residents of Ninilchik who are employed at the packing plant;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that the Governor of the State of Alaska and the Commissioner of the Department of Public Works take such steps as are necessary to rebuild and restore the fallen footbridge across the Ninilchik River in order that the residents of Ninilchik may once again have the use of their customary and normal means of crossing the Ninilchik River; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of Alaska, and to the Honorable Richard Downing, Commissioner of the Department of Public Works.

Passed by the Senate March 15, 1960.

### SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 17

**Relating to the creation of a Vocational Education Executive Committee.**

**Be it Resolved by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled:**

WHEREAS, it becomes increasingly apparent that there is a real need for additional vocational education in the public school system; and

WHEREAS, the federal government and several private foundations have expressed an interest in the furtherance of vocational education; and

WHEREAS, it is up to the state to investigate the possibility of procuring grants-in-aid for the furtherance of vocational education in this state;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate in First Legislature, Second Session assembled, that a Vocational Education Executive Committee be formed to be composed of the secretary of state, as chairman, a member of the staff of the Department of Education, a faculty member of the University of Alaska, a member of the legislature or from the state at large, and a member of the educational staff of the Bureau of Indian Affairs; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this committee determine the need, desirability, feasibility, cost, benefits, and availability of grants for vocational education from sources both public and private.

Passed by the Senate March 26, 1960.