

House Joint Resolutions

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1

Relating to the ratification of a proposed amendment to the Constitution of the United States granting representation in the electoral college to the District of Columbia.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

That the following article proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States by the Congress of the United States through the adoption of Senate Joint Resolution 39, Eighty-sixth Congress, Second Session, is ratified:

“Article —

“Section 1. The District constituting the seat of Government of the United States shall appoint in such manner as the Congress may direct:

“A number of electors of President and Vice President equal to the whole number of Senators and Representatives in Congress to which the District would be entitled if it were a State, but in no event

more than the least populous State; they shall be in addition to those appointed by the States, but they shall be considered, for the purposes of the election of President and Vice President, to be electors appointed by a State; and they shall meet in the District and perform such duties as provided by the twelfth article of amendment.

“Sec. 2. The Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation.”; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of State of Alaska shall duly certify the necessary number of copies of this resolution and transmit them pursuant to law to the Administrator, General Services Administration, and direct facsimile copies to the President of the United States, the presiding officers of the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States, and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House January 26, 1961.

Passed by the Senate February 10, 1961.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Relating to the use of the natural gas supply at Barrow by the citizens of that community.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the citizens of Barrow, Alaska, are in desperate need of fuel with which to heat their homes during the harsh Arctic winter; and

WHEREAS, this desperate need is a chronic, annual occurrence caused by Barrow's extreme isolation from its artificially determined sources of fuel supply; and

WHEREAS, a ready source of natural gas for fuel is now being used at Barrow, but exclusively by the federal government as a private monopoly for the several federal agencies located at Barrow; and

WHEREAS, this source of fuel, although

held as a private monopoly by the federal government, is rightly the property of all the people — its discovery, exploitation, transmission, and even its very monopoly use being paid for from the tax moneys of the people, including the citizens of Barrow; and

WHEREAS, the only argument advanced against the use of the natural gas by the citizens of Barrow is that such use will result in a more rapid diminution of the source than will the private, restricted use of the several federal agencies; and

WHEREAS, these federal agencies would never want for fuel even if the gas were completely expended and the only suffering they would experience would be inconvenience rather than cold such as the citizens of Barrow must suffer; and

WHEREAS, the welfare of our citizens is immeasurably more important than is the convenience of any or all the federal