

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25

Relating to official contact with unincorporated communities.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, many communities in the state have not yet incorporated as cities but do have councils elected by the local citizenry; and

WHEREAS, there are many occasions when agencies of the state government must transact business in these communities or with large segments of their population; and

WHEREAS, in transacting their business the state agencies have been known to overlook the councils which are elected by the people of the communities; and

WHEREAS, it would be mutually bene-

ficial to the state and to the unincorporated communities if state agencies transacting business in these communities would contact and consult with the elected councils;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that all state agencies transacting business in unincorporated communities contact and consult with the elected councils of the communities in transacting their business; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that this resolution in no way whatsoever bestows any right or recognizes any right either corporate, governmental, or tribal upon any unincorporated community or upon the elected council of any unincorporated community.

Passed by the House March 27, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to hearings on lifting the ban on the importation of Russian crabmeat.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, it has been reliably reported that the United States is considering the lifting of the ban on the importation of crabmeat from the Soviet Union; and

WHEREAS, Alaska King Crab is the outstanding and only example of a new development in the Alaska fisheries which otherwise have been sadly depleted largely due to federal mismanagement while Alaska was a Territory and now requires gigantic and costly efforts to rebuild; and

WHEREAS, this fishery depletion has created a grave unemployment situation all along Alaska's coast where the population's livelihood has been and is wholly dependent on the fisheries; and

WHEREAS, the development of the King Crab fishery is the only happy exception in this otherwise dark picture and if it is now to face the competition of imported Russian crab, produced by cheap if not slave

labor, effects in Alaska will be disastrous; and

WHEREAS, the situation is further aggravated by the fact that the Russians have been fishing extensively in the Bering Sea and have given indications of extending their fishing further along the Alaskan coast;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that any proposal for the lifting of the ban on the importation of Russian crabmeat is protested and that it is respectfully requested that the State of Alaska be consulted before any action is taken by the United States Government; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Dean Rusk, Secretary of State; the Honorable C. Douglas Dillon, Secretary of the Treasury; the Honorable Luther H. Hodges, Secretary of Commerce; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House March 11, 1961.