

Affairs; the Honorable Wayne N. Aspinall, chairman of the House Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs; and the mem-

bers of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 9, 1961.

Passed by the House March 13, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26

Relating to amendment of the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act.

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

WHEREAS, an effective program of research and development of domestic fisheries resources is of fundamental importance to Alaska as well as many other states; and

WHEREAS, the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act (P.L. 466, 83rd Congress) as amended by the Fish and Wildlife Service Act of 1956, was designed, through the use of federal funds, to promote the free flow of domestically produced fishery products in commerce and to conduct biological, technological, or other research pertaining to American fisheries; and

WHEREAS, the conduct of biological, technological, or other research pertaining to the management of the fisheries should be delegated to the states which have the responsibility for the management of their respective fisheries; and

WHEREAS, the states have a nucleus of qualified, competent personnel to handle their fishery research problems but have been limited in their activities by lack of finances; and

WHEREAS, the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act does not presently insure state commercial fisheries research participation on a continuing basis; and

WHEREAS, under the Pittman-Robertson (50 Stat. 917) and Dingell-Johnson (64 Stat. 430) programs, whereby federal funds are given directly to the states, which have the responsibility for the management of the fish and game recreational resources, a successful precedent has been established for cooperation on domestic fisheries research;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Congress is urged to amend the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act, as amended, to provide that a percentage of the monies accruing under the Kennedy-Saltonstall Act be apportioned to the states on an equitable formula basis; 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 Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and the Alaska delegation to Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 10, 1961.

Passed by the House March 16, 1961.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 27

Relating to the construction of the proposed Resurrection River Valley Highway and urging that construction of same be given a high priority in the overall planning and development of the Alaska Forest Highway Program.

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

WHEREAS, the proposed Resurrection River Valley Highway Route, extending from Mile 3 on the Seward-Moose Pass Highway to the vicinity of Mile 56 on the

Sterling Highway, could effect a saving of approximately 25 miles in the one-way driving distance between the ice-free and deep-water seaport city of Seward and the Swanson River oil and gas fields; and

WHEREAS, such a substantial reduction in driving distance would provide a much quicker and more economical means for the transportation of freight and supplies from the ice-free port of Seward to the Kenai area and the adjacent Swanson River oil and gas fields than is presently afforded by the circuitous route through Moose Pass; and