

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 50

Relating to the taking of migratory waterfowl for subsistence purposes.

Be It Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the taking of migratory waterfowl in Alaska for subsistence purposes has been questioned by federal authorities under provisions of an international treaty and federal law; and

WHEREAS the Secretary of the Interior and officials of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service have signified their recognition of the need for reasonable interpretation of treaty and law to allow the taking of migratory birds by residents who traditionally have depended on them for subsistence; and

WHEREAS the courts of Canada have reviewed the same treaty and have found that it does not preclude subsistence taking of migratory birds by persons dependent on them; and

WHEREAS the lack of a formal announcement of a similar decision by U. S. officials has caused and will continue to cause uncertainty and friction in the field when enforcement agents are not advised of informal decisions or do not take cognizance of them;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Interior is respectfully requested to make a formal ruling and announcement that migratory waterfowl may be taken in Alaska by persons who have been traditionally or are otherwise dependent on them for subsistence; 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 Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the Senate March 26, 1963.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 51

Relating to easements for and engineering of airfields at Nulato and Koyukuk.

Be It Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS the airstrips subject to the bush airport program at Nulato and Koyukuk constitute a hazard to life and to aircraft landing at those villages; and

WHEREAS the State Capital Improvement Program for 1962-1968 provided for the reconstruction of these two airfields during 1963, and these villages were notified that their years of waiting were over; and

WHEREAS the 1963-1969 State Capital

Improvement Program has scheduled a delay in construction until 1965 and increased the cost factor of these proposed airstrips by \$15,000; and

WHEREAS the pattern of repeated delays is likely to be continued unless some current action is taken;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Division of Aviation of the Department of Public Works is directed to acquire any necessary land easements and accomplish required engineering on the Nulato and Koyukuk airfield projects during 1963 and proceed with their construction under the bush airport program during 1964.

Passed by the Senate March 29, 1963.

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 53

Relating to Congressional action on H.R. 4901 which provides for a flat annual installment rate by employers repaying federal loans made to the state for its

unemployment compensation program.

Be It Resolved by the Senate:

WHEREAS Alaska, under territorial ad-