

Senate Joint Resolutions

CS FOR SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 3

Relating to abolishing as a game preserve lands within the Kenai Moose Range and making those lands available for selection by the State of Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS Alaska has only a relatively small amount of land that is suitable for cultivation; and

WHEREAS the Kenai National Moose Range contains a large portion of available land, thereby limiting the farming that could be accomplished in Alaska; and

WHEREAS there are other areas in Alaska which, although less favorable for human occupation, would make ideal areas for the moose; and

WHEREAS the experience of 20 years has indicated that the survival of moose is not affected by moderate settlement of an area; and

WHEREAS in spite of heavy hunting in

the Kenai National Moose Range, the moose herds are increasing; and

WHEREAS the economic and civic development of the area is jeopardized by large land withdrawals;

BE IT RESOLVED that the federal government is respectfully urged to abolish as a game preserve and make available to the State of Alaska for selection under the multiple use formula, those lands within the Kenai National Moose Range in order that proper economic development of the state can be accomplished; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; and to the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 4

Petitioning Congress to propose an amendment to the federal constitution to preserve the bicameral aspect of state legislature.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska:

WHEREAS the United States Supreme Court has held that both houses of a bicameral state legislature must be apportioned on the basis of population; and

WHEREAS this holding now makes it impossible to apportion representation to reflect the diverse and conflicting interests within a state; and

WHEREAS the decision of the Court will enable heavily populated areas to dominate state legislatures and will lead

to a virtual loss of representation in all other areas of the state; and

WHEREAS in order to prevent this complete disruption of the legislative process in the states, and to preserve for each state the right to balance its representation in the manner best suited to its individual situation, it is essential that the Constitution of the United States be amended to enable the state to apportion at least one house of its legislature on factors other than population;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the State of Alaska respectfully urges the Congress of the United States to propose an amendment in accordance with Article V of the Constitution of the United States, adding to the Constitution an ar-