

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5

**Requesting the appointment of an Alaskan as Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Public Land Management.****Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS at least one-fifth of the lands owned by the United States and administered by the Department of the Interior are located within the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS no Alaskan holds a position of authority under the Secretary of the Interior; and

WHEREAS the position of Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Public Land Management is now open for appointment and one or more eminently qualified Alaskans have been mentioned for that appointment;

BE IT RESOLVED that the President of the United States and the Secretary of the Interior are urged to appoint a qualified Alaskan, knowledgeable of all Alaska, as Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Public Land Management to assist on policy determinations for the administration of the vast resources of Alaska and the Nation; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the United States; the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Honorable William A. Egan, Governor of the State of Alaska; and 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 RESOLUTION NO. 6

**Requesting accelerated sale of state-owned patented mining claims.****Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS the State of Alaska has acquired many patented mining claims through due process of law because of nonpayment of taxes and nonregistration of ownership; and

WHEREAS the state has held these acquired mining claims for several years; and

WHEREAS these lands are not available for use or development nor can they be placed on borough or city tax rolls while held by the state; and

WHEREAS it is not practical for these lands to be leased because the redemption

period continues so long as the state holds the title; and

WHEREAS the state has the authorization, facilities, and personnel to sell these lands to private parties;

BE IT RESOLVED that the State Department of Natural Resources, Division of Lands, is directed to offer for sale to the highest bidders all acquired patented mining claims without unnecessary delay; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Phil R. Holdsworth, Commissioner of Natural Resources; and the Honorable Roscoe E. Bell, Director of the Division of Lands.

## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 7

**Directing a Legislative Council study concerning rural schools.****Be It Resolved by the Senate:**

WHEREAS there is a lack of comprehensive information regarding the extent of rehabilitation and remodeling which is

required to bring the rural schools in the state up to an adequate standard; and

WHEREAS there is also a lack of detailed information regarding the maintenance problems associated with the operation of rural schools; and