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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

Relating to the level of air service between Anchorage and Kodiak via Kenai and Homer after termination of service by Western Airlines.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA :

WHEREAS Western Airlines has requested permission from the Civil Aeronautics Board to withdraw its regularly scheduled air service between Anchorage, Kenai, Homer and Kodiak; and

WHEREAS both Wien Consolidated Airlines and Alaska Airlines have requested authority to provide the air services to be surrendered by Western; and

WHEREAS the approximately 30,000 residents of Kodiak, Homer and Kenai, including numerous Armed Services personnel, are greatly dependent on this air service both for passenger transportation and for freight shipping; and

WHEREAS the fisheries industries in Kodiak and Homer have relied heavily until this time on Western Airlines for shipping large quantities of seafood products to Anchorage for further market distribution; and

WHEREAS a lessening in the level of air service provided these communities after transferral of the route to another carrier would not only create a hardship on the residents of the service areas, but would also place an onerous burden on intrastate and interstate commerce;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Sixth Alaska Legislature respectfully requests that the Civil Aeronautics Board require the carrier that it authorizes to service the Anchorage-Kenai-Homer-Kodiak route to provide at least the same level of service as that provided by Western Airlines, and not curtail services in other areas of Alaska.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable John H. Crooker, Jr., Chairman of the Civil Aeronautics Board; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Howard W. Pollock, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.