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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Relating to winter sports programs in regional high schools.

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

WHEREAS athletics have always been a means whereby persons of minority groups have been able to combat prejudice and win acceptance; and

WHEREAS participation in athletics instills incentive in the athletes and inspires them to work toward new goals, both on the field and in higher scholastic attainment; and

WHEREAS our regional high schools are lacking in recreational programs, and especially in winter programs; and

WHEREAS Alaska's climate and the locations of many of our schools are ideal for institution of viable winter sports programs; and

WHEREAS a model example of a winter sports program under climatic conditions much harsher than those experienced by most areas of Alaska is the Territorial Experimental Ski Training Program instituted by the Canadian Government at Inuvik, Northwest Territories; and

WHEREAS there appears no reason why Alaskan youth cannot equal or exceed the expertise that has been developed at Inuvik and why they should not enjoy the many benefits of competition and travel which can be realized from a successfully operated program;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Department of

Education to develop an experimental winter sports program at the Beltz Regional High School with a long-range goal of expanding the program into other schools of the state.