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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Relating to automated welding processes.

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BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS a new automated welding process has been developed which makes welds of very high quality with the metallurgical structure unchanged; and

WHEREAS, if conventional welding methods were used on the oil and gas pipelines to be constructed in Alaska, it would be impossible to train Alaskans quickly enough to take advantage of the jobs created; and

WHEREAS, if an automated welding process can be utilized on the pipelines to be constructed in Alaska, untold numbers of Alaskans would be put to work, as untrained men can be quickly trained to use the new equipment; and

WHEREAS the utilization of an automated welding process would greatly shorten construction time in completing the pipelines, sharply reduce costs, and the quality of the welding could be expected to be far above that of conventional welding; and

WHEREAS the use of automatic equipment will, in future years, actually create many new jobs;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Board of Welding Examiners to commence immediately a feasibility study of the use of automatic welding equipment on the pipelines to be constructed in Alaska and the training of Alaskans in the use

of this automatic equipment; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor report to the Legislature at the earliest possible time regarding the feasibility of the proposal and if feasible to take all necessary action to insure the use of automatic welding processes and the employment of Alaskan workers on the pipelines to be constructed in Alaska.