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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 18

Relating to Southeast Alaskan air transportation requirements.

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

WHEREAS the Alaska Transportation Commission has recently made known to the Civil Aeronautics Board its recommendations and plans relative to the requirements of the public interest in a competitive Alaskan air transportation system; and

WHEREAS the Bureau of Operating Rights' recommendations for Southeast Alaska would give exclusive rights to one air carrier in Southeast Alaska; and

WHEREAS the past actions and current recommendations made by the Bureau of Operating Rights appear to be aimed at systematically eliminating major trunk carriers from Alaska; and

WHEREAS generally the result of competition is better service at more reasonable rates; and

WHEREAS, no monopoly rights should exist unless there is clear and convincing proof that the monopoly can provide better and more economical service to the public; and

WHEREAS the reasons set out by the Bureau of Operating Rights for their proposed air transport plan for Southeast Alaska are not clear and convincing;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the Civil Aeronautics Board is urged to most carefully examine and investigate the recommendations of the Alaska Transportation Commission and the Bureau of Operating Rights regarding air transportation

service in Southeast Alaska, and to adopt no air transportation policy for Southeast Alaska that could in any manner be contrary to the public convenience and necessity of travelers in Southeast Alaska.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Secor D. Browne, Chairman, Civil Aeronautics Board; the Honorable Alphonse M. Andrews, Director, Bureau of Operating Rights; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators, and the Honorable Nick Begich, U. S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.