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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 80

Relating to the transportation of freight to Northwestern Alaska by marine carriers.

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

WHEREAS the Northwestern areas of Alaska have in the past encountered great difficulties with delivery of freight; and

WHEREAS the season for freight delivery is from June through September; and

WHEREAS the transportation companies which conduct barging operations from the Pacific Northwest to Northwestern Alaska do not have a guaranteed delivery to the ultimate destination of the freight; and

WHEREAS it has been the policy of the freight carriers to require that most of the freight be prepaid; and

WHEREAS there have been occasions when freight has not reached the destination to which it was shipped and has been unloaded at another port many miles away costing the buyers additional money to have it delivered to them by the only other means of transportation in this particular area, which is air freight;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the marine carriers operating between the Continental United States and Northwestern Alaska be required by the appropriate federal agency to guarantee delivery of freight which has been prepaid to its final destination, or that the consignee be allowed the option of receiving freight shipments collect on delivery.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable George M. Stafford, Chairman, Interstate Commerce Commission;

the Honorable Helen D. Bentley, Chairman, Federal Maritime Commission; 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.