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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34

Requesting a Legislative Council study of the Cook Inlet king salmon resources.

BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS king salmon in Cook Inlet and its tributaries are prized both for their commercial and sport fish value; and

WHEREAS there has long been a dispute as to the appropriate distribution of the catch between sport and commercial fishermen; and

WHEREAS it is appropriate that an independent body, not nominated or controlled by sport or commercial fishing interests, should investigate the Cook Inlet fishery; and

WHEREAS environmental, commercial, recreational and other considerations should be evaluated before legislative or executive decisions concerning allocation of the king salmon resource between sport and commercial fishermen are made;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska that the Legislative Council is requested to undertake a study, including but not limited to environmental, ecological, commercial, economic and recreational concerns, to assist the legislature in formulating policy for the highest and best utilization of the Cook Inlet king salmon resource; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council, within the limits of its appropriation, conduct hearings to take testimony from commercial and sport fishermen, tourists, commercial interests, environmentalists and other interested citizens, agencies and organizations that desire to be heard, and summarize the

testimony and present the same to the First Session of the Eighth Legislature; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Council is authorized to hire such expert assistance as it considers appropriate to carry out the full intent of this resolution within the limits of appropriated funds.