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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 54

Relating to an environmental education program for Bristol Bay.

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

WHEREAS the Bristol Bay area encompasses some of the most environmentally vulnerable lands and waters in the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS it is essential to ensure wise use and selection of lands in the Bristol Bay area commensurate with the best interests of not only area residents, but of all residents of the state; and

WHEREAS the Bristol Bay Native Association is proposing to embark on a program of environmental education and planning which will also serve as a model for other regions of the state; and

WHEREAS this program will help to develop on village, regional and statewide levels the capability to recognize, avoid and solve environmental problems; and

WHEREAS this program will help to increase awareness of options and alternatives in land selection and long-range environmental planning; and

WHEREAS this program will help to define the needs of the people and how to achieve them, while giving recognition to environmental considerations;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska Legislature that the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare is respectfully requested

to give full consideration to the proposal of the Bristol Bay Native Association for a program of environmental education and planning under the Environmental Education Act (P.L. 91-516).

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Richard M. Nixon, President of the United States; the Honorable Elliott L. Richardson, Secretary, Department of Health, Education and Welfare; 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.