



# Alaska State Legislature

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10

Relating to the inadequacy of fines for commercial fishing violations.

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

WHEREAS the fishery resources of the state are critical to the state's economic health; and

WHEREAS violations of commercial fishing statutes and regulations significantly impact a resource belonging to all citizens; and

WHEREAS convicted violators are often given minimal or suspended fines; and

WHEREAS, because of minimal or suspended fines, it is often economically feasible for an individual to intentionally violate the commercial fishing laws;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Administrative Director of Courts is respectfully requested to make the Judiciary aware of the serious legislative concern regarding the inadequate fines that are routinely being meted out for commercial fishing violations; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the legislature strongly recommends that more stringent penalties be imposed for commercial fishing violations, within the limits provided by the state's present law.

A COPY of this resolution shall be sent to Arthur H. Snowden, II, Administrative Director of the Alaska Court System.