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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15

Relating to the assignment of policewomen to reported incidents of rape.

BE IT RESOLVED

BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

WHEREAS many rape victims do not report the incident to law enforcement authorities because they fear the embarrassment of undergoing interrogation by male officers; and

WHEREAS, even in law enforcement agencies where policewomen are currently employed, they are usually not assigned to positions which enable them to respond to reported rapes; and

WHEREAS in other areas of the country the experience has been that rape victims believe female peace officers are or would be more sensitive to their physical and emotional needs; and

WHEREAS special efforts should be made to assign policewomen to night duty during which time most rapes occur;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that all state and local law enforcement agencies are encouraged to undertake an affirmative recruitment and assignment program designed to place policewomen in positions that will enable them to respond to cases of reported rape.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to all local and state law enforcement agencies.