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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 49

Relating to a feasibility study of runway construction in rural Alaska.

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

WHEREAS the communities of rural Alaska are not served by the state highway system, but are solely or primarily dependent upon air freight service for transportation of essential commodities; and

WHEREAS existing airport and runway facilities are inadequate to support aircraft of sufficient size to provide low-cost air freight service; and

WHEREAS the state subsidizes highway construction in central Alaska and the ferry service of the Marine Highway System in southeastern and southcentral Alaska; and

WHEREAS it is in the public interest of the state to provide low-cost transportation to rural Alaska to stimulate development of viable local economies;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that the Governor is respectfully requested to direct the Department of Public Works to undertake a study of the feasibility and cost of construction of 10,000 foot runways at Dillingham, Nome, Kotzebue, Barrow, Bethel, Fort Yukon, Galena, Gulkana, Tetlin, and other significant rural Alaska communities; and to deliver the study and its recommendations to the Second Session - Ninth Legislature.