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SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 20

Relating to the cost of Snettisham power.

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

WHEREAS the Snettisham hydroelectric project's transmission line must be completely rerouted and will not be completed until at least late in 1976; and

WHEREAS it has been announced that the rerouting will mean an increase in cost to the consumers of Snettisham power of approximately five per cent; and

WHEREAS the rerouting is due totally to the inappropriate placement and construction of the transmission line to begin with by the Army Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS to make the consumers of Snettisham power absorb the cost of rerouting the transmission line is totally inequitable and unconscionable; and

WHEREAS because the added costs are due solely to construction and judgment errors made by the federal government, it is only fair that the federal government should absorb the additional costs; and

WHEREAS legislation is currently pending before the United States Congress which would require the federal government to fully absorb the additional costs of rerouting the transmission line;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it urgently requests the United States Congress to take swift affir-

mative action and pass legislation to force the federal government to absorb all costs attributable to the rerouting of the Snettisham hydroelectric project's transmission line.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Rogers C.B. Morton, Secretary, Department of the Interior; the Honorable Jim House, Alaska Power Administration; the Honorable Henry M. Jackson, Chairman, Senate Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; the Honorable James A. Haley, Chairman, House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, U. S. Senators; and the Honorable Don Young, U. S. Representative, members of Alaska's delegation in Congress.