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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 91

Urging the establishment of a shellfish research program in the Copper River-Prince William Sound area.

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

WHEREAS the fishing industry is the prime industry of the Copper River-Prince William Sound area with great potential for higher optimum sustained yields than are presently harvested; and

WHEREAS the dungeness crab and razor clam fisheries have fallen off to a fraction of their former levels; and

WHEREAS the tanner crab fishery now forms the major portion of the winter fishing industry in the area; and

WHEREAS there is no long-range full-time research program in the area to provide the necessary management information on the shellfish fishery;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the Governor to direct the Department of Fish and Game to establish a full-time long-range shellfish research program in the Copper River-Prince William Sound area, with specific direction to research problems relating to environmental changes and conditions affecting razor clams, dungeness crabs, and tanner crabs.