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Relating to the North Slope Haul Road.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES:

WHEREAS the North Slope Haul Road, built for use in construction of the trans-Alaska oil pipeline, will become the property of the state upon completion of that construction; and

WHEREAS construction of the pipeline is nearing completion; and

WHEREAS the best future use of the North Slope Haul Road can be determined only after consideration of a number of factors, including economic, developmental, and environmental; and

WHEREAS there is at present no concise compilation of data concerning the North Slope Haul Road;

BE IT RESOLVED that the House of Representatives respectfully requests the Governor to furnish, within 30 days, a brief report including but not limited to the following:

- (1) the date on which it is expected that the state will assume jurisdiction over the North Slope Haul Road;
- (2) the estimated costs of maintenance if the road is open year-round, and if it is open in summer months only;
- (3) if the road is closed, the estimated costs of maintenance to ensure that it does not degrade;
- (4) the estimated costs of policing the road if it is open year-round, and if it is open in summer only;
- (5) the estimated number of tourists who will travel the

road if open to group tours by bus, and the estimated number who will travel it in private vehicles;

(6) the estimated revenues to be derived if the North Slope Haul Road is opened as a toll road, and if no toll is imposed;

(7) any federal prohibition on its use as a toll road, state action already taken to remove the prohibition, and the likelihood that such action will be successful;

(8) the estimated impact on wildlife resources if the road is open;

(9) the anticipated effect of an open road upon development of the hard-rock mineral industry;

(10) the anticipated effect of federal approval of either the trans-Alaska or Alcan gas pipeline route.