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Relating to proposed Internal Revenue Service regulations relating to state deferred compensation plans and supporting H.R. 10746.

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

WHEREAS H.R. 10746, a bill which would limit the types of changes the Internal Revenue Service is proposing for the tax status of deferred compensation plans for employees of state and local governments, is pending before the United States Congress; and

WHEREAS the limitation in H.R. 10746 would prohibit the Internal Revenue Service from making changes in currently approved plans; and

WHEREAS proposed amendments to regulations of the Internal Revenue Service would provide that if a taxpayer chooses to have payment of some portion of his current compensation or an amount of an increase in compensation deferred and paid in a later year, the amount will nevertheless be treated as received by the taxpayer in the earlier taxable year; and

WHEREAS these proposed regulations would affect employees of the State of Alaska by vitiating the state's deferred compensation plan; and

WHEREAS the state's deferred compensation plan is a supplement to the state retirement program and many employees of the state have relied on the deferred compensation plan in planning their retirement; and

WHEREAS the opportunity for reasonable retirement which allows a retired employee to live with dignity is an essential part of the state's deferred compensation plan;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that it strongly supports H.R. 10746 and urges the Congress of the United States to expedite passage of this proposal at the earliest possible time; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Internal Revenue Service is urgently requested to cancel the March 6 effective date of the proposed amendments to the regulations relating to state deferred compensation plans until appropriate hearings and action by the United States Congress.

COPIES of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable W. Michael Blumenthal, Secretary, Department of the Treasury; the Honorable S. B. Wolfe, Acting Commissioner, Internal Revenue Service; the Honorable Russell Long, Chairman, Senate Finance Committee; the Honorable Al Ullman, Chairman, House Ways and Means 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 the Alaska delegation in Congress.