

# STATE OF ALASKA SENATE

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Relating to review of capital expenditures of hospitals.

## BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:

WHEREAS excessive competition among hospitals in other states has resulted in the construction of facilities containing too many hospital beds to fill and in unnecessary purchase of expensive equipment; and

WHEREAS, in an attempt to control the cost of medical care, the United States Congress passed P.L. 93-641, imposing a requirement that each state adopt a certificate-of-need law; and

WHEREAS Alaska adopted a certificate-of-need law in 1976; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the certificate-of-need law, a state may enter into an agreement with the federal government for review of capital expenditures of hospitals by the Secretary of Health and Human Services under P.L. 92-603, sec. 1122; and

WHEREAS Alaska entered into an agreement with the federal government for review of capital expenditures of hospitals; and

WHEREAS the review by the federal government is more restrictive than the review approved by the legislature and unnecessarily duplicates the requirements of state law;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska Senate respectfully requests the Governor not to extend the agreement with the federal government for review of capital expenditures of hospitals when the agreement expires on June 30, 1981.