

# STATE OF ALASKA

## THE LEGISLATURE

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Relating to a Health Care Cost Containment Task Force.

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

WHEREAS the state is experiencing rapidly increasing costs for group health insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS providing comprehensive group health care at a reasonable cost to state employees is an important concern of the state; and

WHEREAS a complete review of the costs of providing group health care insurance is necessary in order to contain or reduce the cost to the state in an era of declining revenues; and

WHEREAS after reviewing applicable statutes, and practices of the insurance industry, legislation may be necessary to implement long-range methods to contain or reduce the cost of group health insurance for the state and its political subdivisions;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Alaska State Legislature that a Health Care Cost Containment Task Force is established to study state statutes, practices of health insurers, and to determine ways of containing or reducing the cost of group health insurance to the state and its political subdivisions; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall first determine and recommend immediate measures necessary to contain or reduce group health care costs in fiscal years 1989 and 1990; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force will also determine any changes to the statutes appropriate and necessary to contain or reduce group health care costs in the long term; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that members of the task force shall consist of two members of the Senate, appointed by the President of the Senate, two members of the House of Representatives, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, three members representing the executive branch, appointed by the Governor, three members representing unions, one appointed by the President of the Senate, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and one appointed by the Governor; the members of the task force shall select a person to act as chair; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the terms of the task force members shall begin immediately, that the task force may meet between sessions of the legislature, and that the task force terminates on January 31, 1990; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall submit a report of its findings and proposed legislation to the Governor and the Legislature by January 31, 1990.