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Relating to a state materials exchange.

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

WHEREAS an industrial materials exchange provides for the reuse and recycling of industrial materials; and

WHEREAS the implementation of an industrial materials exchange in the state would result in significant environmental and economic benefits to the state, including resource and energy conservation, protection of the environment, and reduce demands on traditional methods of disposal; and

WHEREAS it is estimated that United States and Canadian industry annually save \$27,000,000 and the energy equivalent of 100,000 barrels of oil by using materials exchanges; and

WHEREAS an Alaska materials exchange would encourage and enable Alaska industry to be more efficient in its use of natural resources; and

WHEREAS an Alaska materials exchange would directly benefit the communities in the state by extending the life of local landfills; and

WHEREAS an Alaska materials exchange would benefit all residents of the state by

reducing the cost of doing business in the state and by decreasing the effect of industry on the environment; and

WHEREAS BP Exploration (Alaska), Inc., and ARCO Alaska, Inc., have voluntarily committed their valuable resources to establish an Alaska materials exchange; and

WHEREAS a fully operational Alaska materials exchange could operate in the private sector with little or no cost to state government; and

WHEREAS an Alaska materials exchange would demonstrate the value of cooperation among different industries in the state and between industry and government; and

WHEREAS the Pollution Prevention Office in the Department of Environmental Conservation has been established to foster the type of nonregulatory pollution prevention partnerships represented by an Alaska materials exchange;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature supports the establishment of an Alaska materials exchange and encourages businesses in the state to participate in the exchange; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the Governor to direct the commissioner of environmental conservation to continue working with industry to establish an Alaska materials exchange; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the Governor to proclaim May 1994 Alaska Materials Exchange Month in order to encourage participation in an Alaska materials exchange.