

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 28

Relating to the Act of Congress of January 21, 1929 granting 100,000 acres of land for the support and maintenance of the University of Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States by Act of January 21, 1929 (48 USCA 354(a)) did grant to the Territory of Alaska 100,000 acres of land for the support and maintenance of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines and did confirm said grant to the State of Alaska by the Alaska Statehood Act of July 3, 1958; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature of the Territory of Alaska by Ch. 34, SLA 1929, did accept the grant of lands and designate the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Agricultural College and School of Mines to select the lands granted and to sell or lease the same and cover the proceeds into the Territorial Treasury, which said designation was confirmed to the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska as successor to the Board of Trustees of the Alaska Agricultural College by Ch. 49, SLA 1935; and

WHEREAS, the restrictions contained in the original grant by the United States to the Territory are still in full force and effect and severe in nature, providing that proceeds of sale or lease of lands must be placed in a special fund in the State Treasury and invested by the State and further providing that only the income and not the principal from the invested funds shall be made available for the support and maintenance of the University of

Alaska, and further providing that said income shall not be applied directly or indirectly under any pretense whatever to the purchase, erection, preservation or repair of any building or buildings; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of the University is the proper agency of the state government to determine the investment or use of the proceeds from the sale or lease of the lands granted by the Act of January 21, 1929, for the benefit of the University;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the United States Congress is respectfully urged to amend the Act of January 21, 1929, 48 USCA 354(a), to provide that the proceeds from the sale or lease of lands granted thereunder be invested or used by the Board of Regents of the University of Alaska in whatever manner it deems to be for the best interests of the University; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the Senate; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Chairman of the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and to the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska, urging all said persons to support legislation carrying out the intent of this resolution.

Passed by the House March 16, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 29

Relating to allowing Alaska residents to take certain migratory birds.

Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, the taking of migratory birds, such as ducks and geese, is presently prevented under federal law for all seasons but the fall of the year; and

WHEREAS; the Alaskans of northern and

western Alaska are dependent upon migratory waterfowl for both food and clothing; and

WHEREAS, migratory waterfowl are not available to many Alaskans in these areas during the regular fall season by virtue of the fact that most of the birds have moved elsewhere at this time; and

WHEREAS, the closed season on migratory waterfowl imposes a hardship

upon the Alaskans which far outweighs the small conservation benefit that may accrue from forbidding them to take a small number of birds; and

WHEREAS, the health and welfare of people should always outweigh principles of wildlife conservation;

BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the State of Alaska in Second Legislature, First Session assembled that the Alaska Congressional Delegation be respectfully urged to undertake the necessary action to attempt to amend the Mi-

gratory Waterfowl Act to provide that seasonal and bag limit regulations be adopted for certain areas which allow equitable utilization of the waterfowl resource during April and May by people otherwise denied same; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be mailed to the Honorable Stewart L. Udall, Secretary of the Interior; the Commissioner of the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service; and the members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.

Passed by the House April 3, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 30

Relative to the proposed comprehensive ten-year program of oceanographic research and surveys.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, there has been introduced in the present session of the Congress a bill calling for a comprehensive program of oceanographic research and surveys; and

WHEREAS, the program would include the rehabilitation of the national commercial fishery, access and utilization of the ocean fishery, fisheries exploration and marine resources conservation and development; and

WHEREAS, the purpose and scope of the proposal made by Senator Warren G. Magnuson in S. 901 are of vital concern to Alaska and the nation in the conservation and development of their vast marine resources, known and potential;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled that the President and the Congress of the United States are respectfully urged to give favorable consideration to S. 901, the "Marine Sciences and Research Act of 1961," and effect its passage and approval as soon as possible; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of of this resolution be sent to the Honorable John F. Kennedy, President of the United States; the Honorable Lyndon B. Johnson, President of the Senate; the Honorable Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives; the Honorable E. L. Bartlett and the Honorable Ernest Gruening, Senators from Alaska; and the Honorable Ralph J. Rivers, Representative from Alaska.

Passed by the House March 27, 1961.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 31

Relating to continued employment of civilian personnel on Clear Project in Alaska.

Be It Resolved by the House in Second Legislature, First Session Assembled:

WHEREAS, there are approximately 750 civilian employees on the Ballistics Missile Early Warning System Project at Clear, Alaska, most of whom are trained and competent men after two years of service; and

WHEREAS, it has been reported that in 1962 there are plans to have this operation

taken over by a branch of the military service; and

WHEREAS, during this period of recession in Alaska the impact of loss of work by 750 civilians would be of great economic harm to the railbelt area in Alaska;

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives in Second Legislature, First Session assembled, that the Federal Government, unless security measures are involved, continue to use civilian employees on the Ballistics Missile Early