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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 69

Relating to the vessel documentation office in Sitka.

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

WHEREAS the United States Coast Guard has recently ordered the closure of the vessel documentation office in Sitka and the transfer of its functions to Juneau; and

WHEREAS the local vessel documentation offices serve the important function of keeping records relating to the ownership of boats of over five tons net weight; and

WHEREAS ready access to the vessel documentation office is essential to the rapid conduct of financial transactions involving boats, especially new boats; and

WHEREAS Sitka is the hailing port for many new boats involved in the rapidly expanding bottomfish fishery of the area;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Alaska State Legislature respectfully requests the Department of Transportation to direct the Coast Guard to reopen its vessel documentation office in Sitka.

COPIES of this Resolution shall be sent to the Honorable William T. Coleman, Secretary, Department of Transportation; Admiral Owen W. Siler, Commandant, United States Coast Guard; and to the Honorable Ted Stevens and the Honorable Mike Gravel, United States Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, United States Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.