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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH

RESOLUTION 81-170

A RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO PROPOSE A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENTS TO THE ALASKA STATUTES WHICH WILL GRANT TAXING POWER TO SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

WHEREAS, each borough is a school district under present state laws; and

WHEREAS, each school district elects a school board to conduct the affairs of the school district subject to the taxing authority and certain controls of the borough; and

WHEREAS, the combination of functions and duties between the borough assembly and the school board results in an unworkable administration of the dual affairs of the borough and the school district; and

WHEREAS, conflicts arise because of the borough's responsibility to levy taxes and to approve the school district budget; and

WHEREAS, the assembly finds that the school districts should be given taxing authority to support their spending; and

WHEREAS, the school districts of the State should have a direct responsibility to the taxpayers in the impact of school budgets on general property taxation; and

WHEREAS, the responsibility for the level of taxation should be a disciplinary and limiting function of school district budget proposals;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

Section 1. That the State Legislature is requested to initiate necessary legislation at the next session which will propose an amendment to the constitution or amendments to the state statutes which will either grant school districts taxing authority to implement their budgets by the levy of general property taxes in the school districts, or which will permit school district budget funding without approval of the borough assembly or the levy of any borough taxes in support of the school districts.

Section 2. That this resolution takes effect immediately upon its adoption and the Clerk shall serve a copy of this resolution upon the Honorable Jay S. Hammond, Governor of the State of Alaska, upon the Honorable Jalmar Kerttula, President of the State Senate, upon the Honorable Joe L. Hayes, Speaker of the State House, the Honorable Donald E. Gilman, State Senator and upon the Honorables Bette Cato, Hugh Malone and Pat O'Connell, State Representatives.

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~~ADOPTED~~ BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH ON  
THIS 3rd DAY OF November, 1981.

Paul Fischer, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Borough Clerk