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## REP. CISSNA INTRODUCES ROYALTY RIGHTS RESOLUTION

Resolution urges Congress to split oil and gas royalties 90-10

JUNEAU – Today Rep. Sharon Cissna (D – Anchorage) introduced HJR 13, a resolution that urges Congress to uphold Alaska's royalty rights. The Statehood Act stipulates that royalties earned from oil and gas developed on federal properties within Alaska be divided 90% to the State and 10% to the federal government.

"Alaskan resources are priceless. The Federal Government knew at statehood that Alaska's wealth was non-renewable. They promised a 90/10 split to help the new state develop infrastructure. When Alaska's oil and gas reserves are empty, we must have our state's bank account full." Cissna said.

The timing of this Resolution coincides with a strong federal push to allow oil drilling within the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. HJR 13 received Oil & Gas, and Resources committee referrals.

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