## STATE OF ALASKA SENATE

2020

Source SR 2 Senate Resolve No.  $\underline{SR \ 2}$ 



Expressing support for federal legislation establishing a United States Department of Defense regional center for security studies in the state.

## **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE:**

**WHEREAS** the United States military recognized the strategic significance of the Arctic at the 2019 Alaskan Command Arctic Symposium held at the University of Alaska Fairbanks; and

**WHEREAS**, as this state is the only Arctic state in the United States and the only reason the United States is an Arctic nation, it would be wise for the United States to increase its focus on the North; and

**WHEREAS** the bill currently designated as S. 2707 in the United States Senate would establish a United States Department of Defense regional center for security studies in the state; and

**WHEREAS** S. 2707 would name the regional center for security studies the "Ted Stevens Arctic Center for Security Studies";

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Alaska Senate supports the passage of S. 2707.

**COPIES** of this resolution shall be sent to the Honorable Donald J. Trump, President

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of the United States; the Honorable Mark Esper, United States Secretary of Defense; and the Honorable Lisa Murkowski and the Honorable Dan Sullivan, U.S. Senators, and the Honorable Don Young, U.S. Representative, members of the Alaska delegation in Congress.