March 3, 2011 – Introduced by Senator S. FITZGERALD. Referred to Committee on Senate Organization.

Relating to: imposing penalties and costs on Senator Chris Larson for being absent without leave.

Whereas, Senator Chris Larson of the 7th Senate District has been absent without leave from the March 3, 2011, and the March 4, 2011, session days; and

Whereas, Senate Rule 13n imposes penalties and costs on any member of the senate who is absent without leave for two or more session days; and

Whereas, pursuant to Senate Rule 13n, Senator Larson has received notice by publication of both this resolution and the senate calendar which includes consideration of this resolution that he is subject to such penalties and costs; and

Whereas, the sergeant at arms has delivered a copy of both this resolution and the senate calendar which includes consideration of this resolution to Senator Larson’s senate office, thereby providing additional notice to the senator, pursuant to Senate Rule 13n; and

Whereas, pursuant to Senate Rule 13n, Senator Larson has an opportunity to be heard, on the session day on which this resolution is before the senate, on the
matter of whether or not penalties and costs for being absent without leave may be imposed on the senator; and

Whereas, upon adoption of this resolution, Senator Larson is responsible for the penalties and costs imposed under Senate Rule 13n for each day that the senator is absent without leave; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the senate, That pursuant to Senate Rule 13n, Senator Chris Larson shall pay the penalties and costs imposed under Senate Rule 13n for being absent without leave for two or more session days and that the total amount of such penalties and costs shall be calculated by the senate chief clerk and submitted to the president who shall deliver that total, in writing, to Senator Chris Larson’s senate office for immediate payment.

(END)