

ANB Backed Bill Passes House

JUNEAU—The Grand Camp of the Alaska Native Brotherhood (ANB) announced last Friday that the ANB is supporting House Bill No. 2, which was introduced by Representative Carl Moses, R-Unalaska, relating to the Wage and Hour Act.

The measure calls for the repeal of a subsection of an existing law that exempts payment of overtime beyond the 40-hour week for cannery workers.

"The section exempting cannery workers from getting paid for overtime is dispicable," said Grand President Dr. Walter A. Soboleff in making the announce-

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ment.

"There is no valid reason why cannery workers should not get overtime," he said, "and I have this date transmitted a letter to each legislator indicating our support of this bill."

Dr. Soboleff is speaking on behalf of the numerous ANB camps that reach from Pt. Barrow to Ketchikan.

Last Tuesday, the House unanimously approved the bill and sent it to the Senate.

The measure would also call for a slight increase in the benefits with a weekly maximum up to \$85 instead of \$80.

Rep. Joseph McGill, D-Dillingham, said the provision allowing cannery workers to qualify for benefits would have further good effect in that it would get them on the employment security list and thus in a better position to get work.