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Governor Bill Walker
STATE OF ALASKA

March 5, 2015

The Honorable Kevin Meyer
President of the Senate
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 111
Juneau, AK 99801-1182

Dear President Meyer:

Under the authority of Article III, Section 18, of the Alaska Constitution, I am transmitting a bill relating to the development of a natural gas pipeline corridor through Denali State Park, Captain Cook State Recreation Area, Nancy Lake State Recreation Area, and Willow Creek State Recreation Area.

The bill would open a corridor in Denali State Park, Captain Cook State Recreation Area, Nancy Lake State Recreation Area, and Willow Creek State Recreation Area to right-of-way leasing for the construction and operation of a natural gas pipeline from the North Slope, while retaining management of the land as park land pending issuance of a right-of-way lease and imposing conditions on any right-of-way lease to protect the scenic and recreational value of the land for citizens of the state. In addition, the bill would provide for the return to special purpose status of all affected land as it is released from the pipeline right-of-way corridor.

I urge your prompt and favorable action on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bill Walker".

Bill Walker
Governor

Enclosure