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2017 SESSION STATUTORY CHANGE PROPOSAL

OFFERED IN: The House Finance Subcommittee for the
Department of Environmental Conservation

TO: AS 44.46.020, AS 44.46.025, AS 37.10.052, AS 37.10.054,
AS 37.10.056, AS 37.10.058

OFFERED BY: Representative Neal Foster

RECOMMENDED STATUTE CHANGE:

Statutory change to AS 44.46.020, AS 44.46.025, AS 37.10.052, AS 37.10.054, AS 37.10.056, and AS 37.10.058 to authorize the Department of Environmental Conservation to authorize and/or change permitting, permit fees, fees, and fee structure.

EXPLANATION:

Under current statute, the Department of Environmental Conservation is limited in their ability to capture and collect fees required for regulated inspections and various permits. The 2017 Indirect Expenditure report recommends changes to both statutes and fees in order to enable the Department of Environmental Conservation to cover expenses and capture revenue. The Department of Environmental Conservation will need statutory change to change fee structures, capture certain fees, and address permitting inspections and fees. With these changes, preliminary estimates from the Department of Environmental Conservation show a potential savings of \$1.0 million to \$1.5 million as soon as 2019.