

LAWS OF ALASKA

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AN ACT

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

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1	Relating to the schedule of proposed oil and gas lease sales and to a related report to the
2	legislature; and providing for an effective date.
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4	* Section 1. AS 38.05.180(b) is amended to read:
5	(b) The commissioner shall annually [BIENNIALLY] prepare and, before
6	February 1 of each calendar year [, BETWEEN THE FIRST AND THE 15TH
7	DAY OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF EACH LEGISLATURE], notify the
8	legislature of [THE AVAILABILITY OF, A FIVE-YEAR PROPOSED OIL AND
9	GAS LEASING PROGRAM CONSISTING OF] a five-year program [SCHEDULE]
10	of proposed oil and gas lease sales. [AND] specifying as precisely as practicable the
11	location of tracts [PROPOSED] to be offered for [OIL AND GAS] leasing during the
12	calendar year of the notification [IN WHICH THE PROPOSED PROGRAM IS
13	MADE AVAILABLE TO THE LEGISLATURE] and the following four calendar
14	years. The commissioner may, at any time, notify the legislature of revisions,

1	including additions, to the program. Notification to each legislator, by electronic
2	message or other written means, constitutes notification to the legislature under
3	this subsection.
4	* Sec. 2. AS 38.05.180(c) is amended to read:
5	(c) Except as provided in (d) and (w) of this section, an oil and gas lease sale
6	may not be held unless the legislature was notified under (b) of this section [IT
7	WAS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED LEASING PROGRAMS SUBMITTED TO
8	THE LEGISLATURE DURING THE TWO CALENDAR YEARS PRECEDING
9	THE YEAR IN WHICH THE SALE IS HELD]. A lease sale may not be held before
10	the date listed [IT IS SCHEDULED] in the proposed, or a revised, oil and gas leasing
11	program.
12	* Sec. 3. AS 38.05.180(e) is amended to read:
13	(e) <u>The</u> [SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH SUBMISSION OF THE LEASING
14	PROGRAM REQUIRED UNDER (b) OF THIS SECTION, THE] commissioner shall
15	<u>annually</u> prepare and notify the legislature of the availability of a report containing
16	the following:
17	(1) the schedule of all lease sales held during the preceding calendar
18	year, the bidding method or methods utilized, and an analysis of the results of the
19	bidding;
20	(2) if determined, a description of the bidding methods to be used for
21	all lease sales to be held during the current and next two succeeding calendar years;
22	(3) the reasons a particular bidding method has been selected.
23	* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).