

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



REPRESENTATIVE ZACK FIELDS

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Section 1: This section states the legislative findings of the Kitchen Lights Unit located in Cook Inlet as an important source of natural gas for Alaska, stating that royalty modification is in the best interest of the state.

Section 2: This section amends AS 38.05.180 with a new subsection that sets a three percent royalty rate of the gross value of production for the leases within the Kitchen Lights Unit, codifying the rate that the Department of Natural Resources established through regulation. There are seven leases identified under this section as part of the unit. This provision has no sunset.

Section 3: This section sets an effective date for Section 1 to January 1, 2026.

Section 4: This section sets an immediate effective date for Section 2.