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## **Sponsor Statement**

### **Senate Bill 32**

***“An Act stating that the development and operation of a hydroelectric site at Chikuminuk Lake is not an incompatible use in the Wood-Tikchik State Park.”***

The 1.6 million acre Wood-Tichik State Wilderness Park may house a clean, cost effective solution to the rising cost of energy in the Calista region. This bill would help allow that determination to be made.

Currently, under AS 41.21.167(c), two lakes within the park, Lake Elva and Grant Lake, are enumerated as compatible for development and operation of a hydroelectric site in the Wood-Tikchik State park.

SB 32 seeks to amend AS 41.21.167(c) to add Chikuminuk Lake to the list.