

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 91(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 5/6/19
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATORS HOFFMAN, Stevens, Bishop, Stedman, Gray-Jackson, Reinbold, Hughes, Kiehl, Olson, Giessel

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the development and operation of a hydroelectric site at the**
2 **Nuyakuk River Falls; providing for the amendment of the management plan for the**
3 **Wood-Tikchik State Park; and providing for an effective date."**

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

5 *** Section 1.** AS 41.21.167 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (e) The development and operation of a hydroelectric site at the Nuyakuk
7 River Falls is a compatible use if the development and operation

8 (1) does not include a dam that fully spans a river;

9 (2) maintains at least 70 percent of the daily upstream water flow of an
10 affected river along the natural course of the river; and

11 (3) after July 1, 2024, is licensed by the Federal Energy Regulatory
12 Commission.

13 *** Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
14 read:

1 WOOD-TIKCHIK STATE PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN. The Wood-Tikchik State
2 Park Management Council shall, with the advice and assistance of the Department of Natural
3 Resources, amend the management plan for the Wood-Tikchik State Park to conform with the
4 change to AS 41.21.167 made in sec. 1 of this Act.

5 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).