

Senate Bill 97 – State Land Sales and Leases; Rivers

Summary of Changes

1. Bill Title: New Language

- a. Deletes portion of title pertaining to repealing the Susitna Basin Recreation Rivers Management Plan.
- b. Inserts new title language pertaining to covenants and restrictions on agricultural lands.

2. Section 2: Clarification

- a. Clarifies the amendment to AS 19.30.080 (Construction standards and maintenance) related to the consistent application of municipal road construction standards required of the State when building access roads.

3. Section 13: Conforming

- a. Removed unnecessary federal law references in subsection (b).

4. Section 15 & Section 16: New Language

- a. The proposed amendments are intended to make additional agricultural land available for smaller producers and to expand the definition of agricultural purpose on parcels 20 acres or less. The additions would include authorized uses (services) that support the agricultural industry, such as a farm equipment and repair operation near the farms.

5. Delete Sections 19 & 20 of previous bill version

- a. Deletes §19 & §20 pertaining to the repeal of the Susitna Basin Recreation Rivers Management Plan