

Representative Sarah Vance

Rep.Sarah.Vance@akleg.gov (907) 465-2689

House District 31
Funny River – Kasilof – Ninilchik – Nikolaevsk
Anchor Point – Homer – Kachemak City – Fox River

Sectional Analysis

CSHB 52 (RES)

"An Act adding state land to Kachemak Bay State Park; relating to Tutka Bay Lagoon and the Tutka Bay Lagoon Hatchery; and providing for an effective date."

Section 1. Amends the section adding three parcels totaling approximately 267 acres to Kachemak Bay State Park (KBSP) in the Cottonwood-Eastland unit, on the north side of Kachemak Bay. Parcel A provides much needed access from East End Road to the underutilized Cottonwood Eastland unit about 17 miles northeast of Homer. Parcels B and C connect adjacent portions within the Cottonwood-Eastland unit.

Section 2. Adds a new section removing Tutka Bay Lagoon and the land on which the Tutka Bay Lagoon Hatchery (TBLH) is located, approximately 123 acres, out of the KBSP and requiring it to be managed as general use lands by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This section cures the legal land disposal issue and secures the lands to be managed by DNR in perpetuity so that it cannot be sold to any private entity.

Section 3. Repeals the removal of Tutka Bay Lagoon and the land on which the TBLH is located out of the Kachemak Bay State Park *if* the Department of Fish and Game does not operate or contract with another party to operate TBLH within a 3-year period.

Section 4. Adds a new section to include conditional language that transfers the Tutka Bay Lagoon and land on which the TBLH sits *if* ADF&G does not continue hatchery operations within a 3-year period, back into KBSP.

Section 5. Requires the Commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources to notify the revisor of statutes of section 4.

Section 6. Immediate effective date.