

Department of Environmental Conservation
Sectional Analysis of
CSSB 177(RES) Microreactors
April 27, 2022

Section 1: Amends AS 18.45.025(c) to provide that in unorganized boroughs, the Legislature would be the body required to approve a proposed Department of Environmental Conservation permit as a condition for issuance of that permit.

Section 2: Adds a new section, AS 18.45.025(d), which removes the requirement for microreactors to be situated on legislatively designated land.

Section 3: Adds a new section, AS 18.45.030(b) that exempts state departments and agencies from the requirement to conduct studies concerning changes in laws and regulation for microreactors. Adds a new section, AS 18.45.030(c), which requires the Department to comment on proposed permits before the Nuclear Regulatory Commission for siting in Alaska, and to coordinate and submit comments from the other agencies listed in AS 18.45.030(a).

Section 4: Provides the definition of “microreactor.”