

**HOUSE BILL NO. 58**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES BUNDE, Rokeberg, Toohey

Introduced: 1/16/95

Referred: Resources, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act establishing the Chickaloon Flats Critical Habitat Area."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 16.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4           Sec. 16.20.630. CHICKALOON FLATS CRITICAL HABITAT AREA. (a)  
5           The following described area is established as the Chickaloon Flats Critical Habitat  
6           Area:

7           The land and water encompassed by a boundary beginning at the point  
8           on the shore of Chickaloon Bay at longitude W149 degrees, 53 minutes;  
9           thence westerly along the mean high water line of Chickaloon Bay to  
10           longitude W150 degrees, 18 minutes; thence easterly to the point of the  
11           beginning.

12           (b) The department shall permit entry within the Chickaloon Flats Critical  
13           Habitat Area for the exploration and development of oil and gas resources when it is  
14           compatible with the purposes for which the critical habitat area is established.

15           (c) The department shall permit public uses of the Chickaloon Flats Critical

1 Habitat Area in a manner that is compatible with the purposes for which the critical  
2 habitat area is established. The department shall permit the following public uses to  
3 continue without further approval by the department unless the department determines  
4 that the use is not compatible with the purposes for which the Chickaloon Flats Critical  
5 Habitat Area is established:

6 (1) hunting, including subsistence hunting, trapping, and subsistence,  
7 commercial, and sport fishing;

8 (2) hiking, backpacking, and camping, including the use of campfires;

9 (3) cross-country skiing, snowmachining, boating, and the landing of  
10 aircraft; and

11 (4) other related uses that are temporary in duration and have no  
12 foreseeable adverse effects on vegetation, drainage, soil stability, or fish and game and  
13 their habitat.