

AMENDMENT # 3

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TO: CSHB 531 (FIN)



Page 15, line 14, following "of gas only."

Insert: "**The commissioner may not issue an exploration license on land that is held under an existing coal lease entered into under AS 38.05.150 that has an active permit for exploration or mining unless the licensee under this subsection is also the lessee under AS 38.05.150 of that land.**"

Page 20, lines 9-10

Delete "[EXCEPT AS PROVIDED BY AS 38.05.177(a)(2)(C),]"

Insert "except as provided by **AS 38.05.180(ff)(4)** [AS 38.05.177(a)(2)(C)],"

Page 20, line 23

Delete "**A** [NOTWITHSTANDING AS 38.05.177, A]"

Insert "Notwithstanding **AS 38.05.180(ff) or AS 38.05.132(a)** [AS 38.05.177], a"

Page 22, line 15, following "period of nonproduction;"

Insert "**on application by the lessee, the director may extend the lease issued under this section for a period of not more than 10 years if the gas produced from the lease is to be used by the lessee solely for its mining operations;**"

Page 40, line 6, following "paragraph":

Insert ";

(4) the provisions of this subsection do not apply to authorize a lease for the recovery of nonconventional gas on land that is held under an existing coal lease entered into under AS 38.05.150 that has an active permit for exploration or mining unless the lessee under this subsection is also the lessee under AS 38.05.150 of that land."