

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 265(RES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/6/04

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the schedule of proposed oil and gas lease sales and to a related  
2 report to the legislature; and providing for an effective date."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 38.05.180(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) The commissioner shall **annually** [BIENNIALY] prepare and, **before**  
6 **February 1 of each calendar year** [, BETWEEN THE FIRST AND THE 15TH  
7 DAY OF THE FIRST REGULAR SESSION OF EACH LEGISLATURE], notify the  
8 legislature of [THE AVAILABILITY OF, A FIVE-YEAR PROPOSED OIL AND  
9 GAS LEASING PROGRAM CONSISTING OF] a **five-year program** [SCHEDULE]  
10 of proposed **oil and gas** lease sales, [AND] specifying as precisely as practicable the  
11 location of tracts [PROPOSED] to be offered for [OIL AND GAS] leasing during the  
12 calendar year **of the notification** [IN WHICH THE PROPOSED PROGRAM IS  
13 MADE AVAILABLE TO THE LEGISLATURE] and the following four calendar  
14 years. **The commissioner may, at any time, notify the legislature of revisions,**

1 **including additions, to the program. Notification to each legislator, by electronic**  
 2 **message or other written means, constitutes notification to the legislature under**  
 3 **this subsection.**

4 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 38.05.180(c) is amended to read:

5 (c) Except as provided in (d) and (w) of this section, an oil and gas lease sale  
 6 may not be held unless **the legislature was notified under (b) of this section** [IT  
 7 WAS INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED LEASING PROGRAMS SUBMITTED TO  
 8 THE LEGISLATURE DURING THE TWO CALENDAR YEARS PRECEDING  
 9 THE YEAR IN WHICH THE SALE IS HELD]. A lease sale may not be held before  
 10 the date **listed** [IT IS SCHEDULED] in the proposed, **or a revised,** oil and gas leasing  
 11 program.

12 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 38.05.180(e) is amended to read:

13 (e) **The** [SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH SUBMISSION OF THE LEASING  
 14 PROGRAM REQUIRED UNDER (b) OF THIS SECTION, THE] commissioner shall  
 15 **annually** prepare and notify the legislature of the availability of a report containing  
 16 the following:

17 (1) the schedule of all lease sales held during the preceding calendar  
 18 year, the bidding method or methods utilized, and an analysis of the results of the  
 19 bidding;

20 (2) if determined, a description of the bidding methods to be used for  
 21 all lease sales to be held during the current and next two succeeding calendar years;

22 (3) the reasons a particular bidding method has been selected.

23 \* **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).