

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 329(RES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE SENATE RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 3/26/04**

**Referred: Finance**

**Sponsor(s): SENATOR BUNDE BY REQUEST**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to control of nuisance moose."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 16.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4           **Sec. 16.05.052. Nuisance moose.** The department shall avoid destruction of  
5 nuisance moose if a practicable alternative exists for the relocation of the moose to  
6 suitable habitat where the moose will not be a nuisance. The commissioner may  
7 authorize one or more private individuals or groups to relocate nuisance moose to  
8 suitable habitat designated by the department if, upon review and evaluation of a  
9 written application and proposal, the commissioner finds that the individual or group  
10 is qualified to relocate nuisance moose without undue danger to the public,  
11 themselves, or the moose. Before relocating nuisance moose, an authorized individual  
12 or group shall provide financial assurances acceptable to the commissioner that will  
13 cover the state's reasonable anticipated costs of the relocation. The authorized  
14 individual or group shall reimburse the state for its costs that arise from relocating  
15 nuisance moose. A civil action to recover damages or costs that arise from relocating

1 nuisance moose may not be brought against the state or a political subdivision, officer,  
2 or employee of the state. In this section, "nuisance moose" means moose designated  
3 by the department in an area of concentrated human population that pose a significant  
4 risk to the health, safety, or economic well-being of persons in the area.