

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 336(RES) am

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

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Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES JOHNSON, Harris, Ramras, Kelly, Guttenberg, Keller, Hawker, Roses, Dahlstrom

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act directing the Alaska Energy Authority to conduct a study of and to prepare a
2 proposal for an appropriately sized Susitna River hydroelectric power project; and
3 providing for an effective date."

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

5 * **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
6 to read:

7 HYDROELECTRIC POWER STUDY. The Alaska Energy Authority, in consultation
8 with the Railbelt electric utilities, shall conduct a study of and prepare a proposal for a
9 hydroelectric power project on the Susitna River appropriately sized for the Railbelt area. In
10 conducting the study, the authority shall review prior studies and data regarding hydroelectric
11 power projects in the area. The authority shall present an interim report to the legislature not
12 later than February 15, 2009. If, at any point in the work process before the interim report is
13 due, the authority finds that the project is nonviable, work shall be halted, and a report with
14 those findings shall be immediately submitted to the legislature. Unless the authority finds,

1 before the interim report is due, that the project is nonviable, the authority shall present its
2 complete findings and a report assessing the viability of a hydroelectric power project,
3 including the estimated costs of the project, to the legislature not later than June 30, 2010.

4 * **Sec. 2.** This Act is repealed June 30, 2010.

5 * **Sec. 3.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2008.