

**SENATE BILL NO. 57**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR ELTON

Introduced: 1/19/07

Referred: Resources, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to hunting in marine park units of the Alaska state park system,**  
2 **amending the area within designated marine park units of the Alaska state park system,**  
3 **and adding marine park units to the Alaska state park system."**

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 LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSE. (a) The legislature  
8 finds that

9 (1) marine parks promote and support recreation and tourism in the state by  
10 maintaining fish and wildlife resources and lawful existing uses of these resources and by  
11 protecting their natural, cultural, and scenic values; and

12 (2) by combining upland with the surrounding water, tideland, and submerged  
13 land into a marine park, the state is able to ensure public anchorages and recreational beaches  
14 will be managed as one unit with consistent development and regulations.

1 (b) It is the purpose of secs. 3 and 4 of this Act to expand the marine park system in  
 2 Lynn Canal within the City and Borough of Juneau by the inclusion of the islands selected  
 3 under the Alaska Statehood Act from the Tongass National Forest for the purpose of  
 4 community recreation that have been tentatively approved or patented to the state.

5 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 41.21.302(d) is amended to read:

6 (d) The commissioner may not **prohibit hunting within a marine park unit**  
 7 **of the Alaska state park system. The commissioner may not** restrict the exercise of  
 8 fishing, hunting, or trapping rights permitted under law or under a regulation of the  
 9 Board of Fisheries or the Board of Game within a marine park unit of the Alaska state  
 10 park system.

11 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 41.21.304(11) is amended to read:

12 (11) Shelter Island: **the following described parcels excluding**  
 13 **submerged land seaward of the 20 fathom bathymetric line:**

14 Township 39 South, Range 64 East, Copper River Meridian

15 Section 29: All

16 Section 31: All

17 Section 32: All

18 Section 33: All

19 **Township 40 South, Range 64 East, Copper River Meridian**

20 **Section 5: NW1/4NE1/4, S1/2NE1/4, NW1/4, S1/2**

21 **Section 6**

22 **Section 8**

23 **Section 9: W1/2;**

24 \* **Sec. 4.** AS 41.21.304 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

25 (34) Juneau Area Islands: Aaron, Battleship, Benjamin, Bird, Coghlan,  
 26 Cohen, Gull, Indian, Lincoln, Little, North, Portland, Ralston, and Suedla Islands: the  
 27 following described parcels excluding submerged land seaward of the 20 fathom  
 28 bathymetric line:

29 Township 38 South, Range 63 East, Copper River Meridian

30 Section 13

31 Section 24: E1/2NE1/4

1 Section 32: E1/2  
2 Section 33: SW1/4  
3 Township 38 South, Range 64 East, Copper River Meridian  
4 Section 18: SW1/4  
5 Section 19  
6 Section 20: W1/2SW1/4  
7 Section 29: NW1/4NW1/4  
8 Section 30: N1/2  
9 Township 39 South, Range 63 East, Copper River Meridian  
10 Section 4  
11 Section 9  
12 Section 10  
13 Section 11  
14 Section 13: E1/2  
15 Section 14  
16 Section 15  
17 Section 16: E1/2  
18 Section 22: N1/2  
19 Section 23  
20 Section 24  
21 Township 39 South, Range 64 East, Copper River Meridian  
22 Section 8: SE1/4  
23 Section 9: SW1/4  
24 Section 16  
25 Section 17: NE1/4  
26 Section 18: S1/2  
27 Section 19  
28 Section 20: SW1/2  
29 Section 30: except for USS 354  
30 Section 34: S1/2  
31 Township 40 South, Range 64 East, Copper River Meridian

1 Section 1: W1/2NW1/4  
 2 Section 3: NE1/4  
 3 Section 4  
 4 Section 5  
 5 Section 9  
 6 Section 10  
 7 Section 15  
 8 Section 16  
 9 Section 17: NE1/4  
 10 Section 36: SE1/4SE1/4  
 11 Township 40 South, Range 65 East, Copper River Meridian  
 12 Section 28: SW1/4  
 13 Section 31: SW1/4SW1/4  
 14 Section 32: E1/2  
 15 Section 33: W1/2  
 16 Section 34: W1/2E1/2, W1/2  
 17 Township 41 South, Range 65 East, Copper River Meridian  
 18 Section 1: NE1/4  
 19 Section 2: W1/2NW1/4, SE1/4  
 20 Section 3: NE1/4  
 21 Section 11  
 22 Township 41 South, Range 66 East, Copper River Meridian  
 23 Section 5: NW1/2NW1/4, NW1/4NW1/4NE1/4  
 24 Section 6: NW1/4.