

HOUSE BILL NO. 163

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 3/2/09

Referred: House Special Committee on Energy, Resources, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act clarifying the purpose of the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority; and**
2 **relating to definitions of certain terms in AS 41.41."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 41.41.010(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) There is established the Alaska Natural Gas Development Authority, the
6 purpose of which is to provide one or more of the following services and functions in
7 order to bring natural gas from the North Slope or other regions within the state to
8 market, including

9 (1) the acquisition and conditioning of [NORTH SLOPE] natural gas;

10 (2) the design and construction of the pipeline system;

11 (3) the operation and maintenance of the pipeline system;

12 (4) the design, construction, operation, of other facilities necessary for
13 delivering the gas to market, including markets within the state [AND TO
14 SOUTHCENTRAL ALASKA]; and

1 (5) the acquisition of natural gas market share sufficient to ensure the
2 long-term feasibility of the pipeline system project.

3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 41.41.010(d) is amended to read:

4 (d) The acquisition of natural gas from the North Slope **and other regions**
5 **within the state** and its delivery to **markets within the state for use by markets**
6 **within the state or to** tidewater for shipment to market by the authority **are** [IS AN]
7 essential government **functions** [FUNCTION] of the state.

8 * **Sec. 3.** AS 41.41.990(3) is amended to read:

9 (3) "project" means the gas transmission pipeline, together with all
10 related property and facilities, to extend from [THE PRUDHOE BAY AREA ON] the
11 North Slope of Alaska **or other regions within the state to markets within the state**
12 **or** [EITHER] to tidewater at a point on Prince William Sound [AND THE SPUR
13 LINE FROM GLENNALLEN TO THE SOUTHCENTRAL GAS DISTRIBUTION
14 GRID] or to tidewater at a point on Cook Inlet, and includes planning, design, and
15 construction of the pipeline and facilities as described in AS 41.41.010(a)(1) - (5).

16 * **Sec. 4.** AS 41.41.990 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

17 (4) "North Slope" means that part of the state that lies north of 68
18 degrees North latitude and includes the Brooks Range foothills.