

SENATE BILL NO. 181

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to obstruction or interference with a person's free passage on or use of**
2 **navigable water; and amending the definition of 'navigable water' under the Alaska**
3 **Land Act."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 38.05.965(14) is amended to read:

6 (14) "navigable water" means any water of the state forming a river,
7 stream, lake, pond, slough, creek, bay, sound, estuary, inlet, strait, passage, canal, sea
8 or ocean, or any other body of water or waterway within the territorial limits of the
9 state or subject to its jurisdiction [,] that is navigable in fact **in any season and** for any
10 useful public purpose, including [BUT NOT LIMITED TO] water suitable for
11 commercial navigation, floating of logs, **harvesting of ice, state or federal military**
12 **training,** landing and takeoff of aircraft, **operation of boats or other watercraft,**
13 **hovercraft, snow machines, all-terrain vehicles, and other motorized or**
14 **nonmotorized vehicles, storage of vehicles,** and [PUBLIC BOATING,] trapping,

- 1 hunting [WATERFOWL AND AQUATIC ANIMALS], fishing, or other public
- 2 recreational purposes;
- 3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 38.05.128(a)(1) is repealed.