

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 4

3

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

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TWENTY-THIRD SESSION

5 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

6 WHEREAS, many persons residing in and about Ketchikan, Alaska,  
7 including their families and guests, and many tourists, are in the  
8 habit of going on outings, or otherwise visiting for recreation  
9 purposes, Ward Cove Drainage Area, which is the single large  
10 public recreation site in the area; and

11 WHEREAS, said users of the Ward Cove Drainage Area are be-  
12 coming increasingly alarmed at the frequent wanton discharge of  
13 firearms in and near the Ward Cove Area, which discharges are a  
14 constant threat to their safety, and well-being; and

15 WHEREAS, the Legislature of Alaska in 1935, foreseeing the  
16 considerable danger of permitting any discharge, flourishing, or  
17 pointing of firearms in public places, including parks, public  
18 grounds and grounds made public by an assemblage of persons, did  
19 prohibit such ill-advised practices in Section 1 of Chapter 42 of  
20 the Session Laws of that Legislature, and did establish a penalty,  
21 including a fine and imprisonment to be imposed upon the conviction  
22 of any person violating said Section, which law still stands as  
23 current, valid, and enforceable law in Alaska; and

24 WHEREAS, it is the duty and responsibility of the Territorial  
25 Police and other enforcement officers to enforce said law, and to  
26 prevent, where possible, violations of the law, especially in those  
27 parts of Alaska which are not within the jurisdiction of local  
28 police;

29 NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Senate of the Territory

1 of Alaska; in Twenty-third Session assembled, that the Superinten-  
2 dent of Territorial Police be directed to forthwith take the nec-  
3 essary steps to cause persons violating Sec. 65-12-5 (Ch. 42,  
4 SLA 1935) in the Ward Cove Drainage Area to be cited and prosecut-  
5 ed for such violations, and to further prevent, to the greatest  
6 degree possible, all future violations.

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