

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MR. GIERSDORF

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 376

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to fire safety; amending
7 Sec. 65-5-11, ACLA 1949 as amended by Ch. 76,
8 SLA 1949."

9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

10 Section 1. Sec. 65-5-11, ACLA 1949 as amended by Ch. 76, SLA
11 1949 is amended to read as follows:

12 Sec. 65-5-11. FIRE SEASON: ACTS PROHIBITED: CONVEYANCE
13 EQUIPMNET: POSTING COPIES OF LAW. The period from April 30
14 to September 30, inclusive, of each year and any other period
15 fixed by the Governor shall be designated the fire season.
16 The Governor may proclaim such an additional period for all or
17 any part of the state [TERRITORY] when weather or other con-
18 ditions require such action for the protection of timber,
19 brush, grass, or grain lands. The Governor, or his designated
20 agents [AGENT], may also, in times and localities of unusual
21 fire danger, prohibit by proclamation the accumulation of
22 scrap wood, waste paper, hay, grass, straw, weeds, litter, or
23 combustible or flammable waste or rubbish of any kind in such
24 place or fashion as will endanger property or create a danger
25 of fire and the setting of fires, smoking, entry, or other
26 use within or of such lands when, in his judgment, such
27 activities would increase the fire danger and thereby threaten
28 the livelihood, homes, and investments of lawful residents
29 within such areas. Such temporary area closures will be

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29

posted and the proclamation published in the local newspapers. During the fire season no person shall throw away any lighted tobacco, cigars, cigarettes, matches, firecrackers, or other inflammable material in any area in this state [TERRITORY] containing timber, brush, grass or grain lands. Every conveyance operated through or above such areas shall be equipped at all times in each compartment thereof with a suitable receptacle for the disposition or reception of any of the inflammable materials mentioned above. Every owner or operator of a public conveyance operated through or above such areas shall post and keep displayed at all times a copy of this section and of section 65-5-16 in a conspicuous place within the smoking compartment of such conveyance; and every person or corporation operating a sawmill or logging camp in any such areas shall post and keep displayed at all times a copy of this section and section 65-5-16 in a conspicuous place upon the buildings or grounds of such milling or logging operations. Any violation of this section, including the destruction or defacement of fire warning posters and signs, shall be a misdemeanor.