

1 IN THE SENATE

BY JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 153

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act to amend the Alaska Oil and Gas
7 Conservation Act with respect to filing and
8 handling of confidential information; amend-
9 ing Subsec. 4 (a) (2) of Sec. 4 of Ch. 40,
10 SLA 1955; and providing for an effective
11 date."

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

13 Section 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Act is to provide
14 for an earlier and more complete filing of oil and gas drilling
15 and exploration records for the beneficial use of the State,
16 provide a longer period during which the State must hold certain
17 of these records confidential, and provide for protection of cer-
18 tain records submitted at hearings.

19 Sec. 2. AMENDMENT. Subsection 4 (a) (2) of Section 4 of
20 Chapter 40, SLA 1955 is hereby amended to read as follows:

21 (2) The making and filing of reports, well logs, [AND]
22 directional surveys [;] and other data concerning any well,
23 provided, however, that [LOGS OF EXPLORATORY OR "WILDCAT"
24 WELLS] such required reports and information shall be filed
25 within thirty (30) days after the completion, abandonment,
26 or suspension of the well; and provided further, that cores,
27 samples, core analyses, logs of all types, drill stem test
28 data, bottom hole pressure and production test reports, and
29 all other technical data marked "confidential" shall be kept

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confidential for twenty-four (24) [6] months after the filing thereof, unless the owner gives written permission to release such [LOGS] information at an earlier date. Maps and technical data of an areal nature submitted in support of any request for approval of a unit agreement or submitted in connection with any hearing held by the Division of Mines and Minerals shall be kept confidential unless the owner gives written permission to release such logs and information.

Sec. 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall take effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.