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IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR BEGICH

SENATE BILL NO.11

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act increasing aid to prospectors."

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

* Section 1. AS 27.05.150 is amended to read:

Sec. 27.05.150. KINDS OF ASSISTANCE. Assistance under sec. 140 of this chapter consists of furnishing the prospector with any of the following:

(1) transportation to and from the area selected for prospecting, the cost of which shall not exceed \$500 [~~\$200~~] a year [SEASON];

(2) food, clothing, hardware, and tools necessary for the intended prospecting operation, the value of which may not exceed \$1,000 a year [~~\$100 A MONTH OR A MAXIMUM OF \$300 A SEASON~~];

(3) monthly servicing of the prospector by delivering supplies to him and checking his work and well-being.

* Sec. 2. AS 27.05.170(a) is amended to read:

(a) No prospecting operation of less than one month's duration may be considered under secs. 140 - 170 of this chapter. No prospector may receive assistance more often than once each year. Not more than one prospector in one family [OR IN ONE PROSPECTING PARTY] may receive assistance under secs. 140 - 170 of this chapter. Applicants must be citizens of the United States and bona fide residents of

the state.

* Sec. 3. AS 27.05.180 is amended to read:

Sec. 27.05.180. PURPOSE. The purpose of secs. 180 -
210 of this chapter is to expedite the exploration of
promising mineral deposits or areas by providing certain
necessary exploration equipment to individuals [FOR A
NOMINAL RENTAL FEE].

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