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1 IN THE SENATE

RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 358

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing for grants of state lands  
7 to private individuals and municipal cor-  
8 porations to replace lands which were  
9 rendered unusable as a result of shifts  
10 in land mass caused by the earthquake of  
11 March 27, 1964; and providing an effective  
12 date."

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

14 \* Section 1. The Director of the Alaska Division of Lands may  
15 make grants of state lands to private individuals and municipal  
16 corporations to replace land which was rendered unusable for the  
17 purposes for which it was used on March 27, 1964 by shifts in  
18 land mass caused by the natural disaster of March 27, 1964. The  
19 director shall designate state lands which are available to  
20 replace lands rendered unusable.

21 \* Sec. 2. Private individuals are eligible for grants of  
22 state land only if the land which was rendered unusable is owned  
23 by them and was used or leased on and before March 27, 1964 for  
24 private residential purposes. A private individual who incurred  
25 a binding obligation to purchase land, on or prior to March 27,  
26 1964, shall be considered the owner of the land for the purpose  
27 of this Act.

28 \* Sec. 3. Applications for grants of state lands shall be  
29 filed with the director not later than June 1, 1965. Applica-

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1 tions shall contain:

- 2 (a) The name and address of the applicant;
- 3 (b) A legal description of the land rendered unusable;
- 4 (c) Proof of ownership of the land, and
- 5 (d) The purpose for which the land was used prior to
- 6 March 27, 1964.

7 \* Sec. 4. The director shall, within 30 days of the receipt

8 of the application, approve or disapprove the application. The

9 director's determination of eligibility for grants of state

10 lands is final.

11 At the time he approves the application, or as soon there-

12 after as possible, the director shall specify the lands which

13 shall be granted to eligible applicants. In making his designa-

14 tion he shall consider the value, size and use of the lands

15 rendered unusable as a result of the earthquake of March 27,

16 1964 and shall as nearly as possible grant lands of equal size

17 and value, or of equal utility.

18 \* Sec. 5. The applicant shall pay costs, not to exceed the

19 administrative cost of transferring the property and the costs

20 of surveying the land. In addition, the state may require a

21 deed to the unusable lands in exchange for the grant of state

22 lands.

23 \* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage

24 and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.

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