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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 persons and municipal corporations to  
8 replace lands which were rendered unusable  
9 as a result of shifts in land mass caused  
10 by the earthquake of March 27, 1964; and  
11 providing for an effective date."

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

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

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

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

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

6 \* Sec. 4. The director shall, within 30 days of the receipt  
7 of the application, approve or disapprove the application. The  
8 director's determination of eligibility for grants of state lands  
9 is final.

10 At the time he approves the application, or as soon there-  
11 after as possible, the director shall specify the lands which  
12 shall be granted to eligible applicants. In making his designa-  
13 tion he shall consider the value, size and use of the lands  
14 rendered unusable as a result of the earthquake of March 27,  
15 1964, and shall as nearly as possible grant lands of equal size  
16 or value, or of equal utility.

17 \* Sec. 5. The applicant shall pay costs, not to exceed the  
18 administrative cost of transferring the property and the costs  
19 of surveying the land. In addition, the state may require a  
20 quitclaim deed to the unusable lands in exchange for the grant  
21 of state lands.

22 \* Sec. 6. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage  
23 and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.  
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