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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 291

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the construction of local service
7 roads by the state to serve small rural, agricultural,
8 mining and industrial areas not included in primary or
9 secondary highway systems."

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

11 * Section 1. AS 19.30 is amended by adding new sections to read:

12 ARTICLE 3. LOCAL SERVICE ROADS.

13 Sec. 19.30.110. PURPOSE. It is the purpose of secs. 110 - 170
14 of this chapter to provide for the construction by the state of local
15 service roads for school bus, mail delivery, local, and commercial
16 traffic in small rural, agricultural, mining and industrial areas that
17 cannot be included in federal-aid primary or secondary highway systems
18 eligible for federal-state matching funds under the Federal-aid Highway
19 Act of 1956 as amended or supplemented by Congress.

20 Sec. 19.30.120. COMMISSIONER MAY PROMULGATE RULES. The commis-
21 sioner may promulgate rules necessary to carry out secs. 110 - 170 of
22 this chapter.

23 Sec. 19.30.130. PREREQUISITES FOR CONSTRUCTION. A local service
24 road may be constructed by the state in a small rural, agricultural,
25 mining or industrial area if the plan, in the opinion of the commis-
26 sioner, is feasible.

27 Sec. 19.30.140. CONTRACTS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF ROADS. (a) The
28 department shall contract for the construction of local service roads
29 under AS 19.10.170 - 19.10.200 and 19.10.230 - 19.10.250.

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1 (b) The department shall award the contract to the lowest
2 responsible bidder, or it may reject all bids.

3 Sec. 19.30.150. DESIGN STANDARDS. (a) The commissioner shall
4 determine design standards for local service roads; however, rights
5 of way may not be less than 100 feet in width.

6 (b) Local service roads may be of a lower standard than primary
7 or secondary highways but shall become part of the state highway system
8 and shall be maintained by the state.

9 Sec. 19.30.160. ROUTING. The commissioner decides the routing
10 of a local service road. In making his decision he shall consider (1)
11 the best interests of the people to be served by the road; (2) the
12 availability of right of way; and (3) the availability of construction
13 material.

14 Sec. 19.30.170. DEFINITIONS. In secs. 110 - 170 of this chapter,
15 "local service road" means a road which (1) does not meet the criteria
16 for classification as a primary or secondary route under the Federal-
17 aid Highway Acts; (2) serves a relatively small rural, agricultural,
18 mining or industrial area; (3) has traffic that is principally local
19 in character; and (4) has termini that are not necessarily connected
20 to other highways or important junctions.
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