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1 IN THE SENATE

BY ENGSTROM

2 SENATE BILL NO. 32

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Yukon-Taiya Commission; and  
7 providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 44 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 20. YUKON-TAIYA COMMISSION .

11 Sec. 44.20.010. YUKON-TAIYA COMMISSION ESTABLISHED. There is  
12 created in the Office of the Governor the Yukon-Taiya Commission.

13 Sec. 44.20.020. DUTIES OF THE COMMISSION. (a) The commission  
14 shall make a preliminary determination as to the feasibility of a  
15 diversion dam at Miles Canyon on the Yukon River above Whitehorse,  
16 with the water of the upper Yukon being diverted from Lindeman Lake  
17 under Chilkoot Pass to the Taiya River.

18 (b) If the Yukon-Taiya diversion project is feasible, the commis-  
19 sion shall take action necessary to initiate a more detailed combined  
20 Canadian-American feasibility study of this project.

21 (c) The commission shall make every effort to instigate concurrent  
22 international negotiations concerning the development of this project.

23 Sec. 44.20.030. COMPOSITION OF COMMISSION. The Yukon-Taiya  
24 diversion project commission shall consist of three persons to be  
25 appointed by the governor. The governor shall appoint a chairman.  
26 Legislators shall be eligible for appointment to this commission.

27 Sec. 44.20.040. TERM OF MEMBERSHIP. Each member shall serve at  
28 the pleasure of the governor.

29 Sec. 44.20.050. ADMINISTRATION. The chairman shall call meetings

1 of the commission and formulate rules of procedure for the meetings.  
2 The chairman may request the governor to delegate to administrative  
3 departments of the state the duties and functions necessary or  
4 desirable in the gathering and compilation of information for the  
5 commission, for the implementation of resolutions adopted by the  
6 commission, and for the other purposes consistent with the intent of  
7 secs. 010 - 080 of this chapter.

8 Sec. 44.20.060. ACCEPTANCE OF GRANTS AND OTHER AID. The commis-  
9 sion may apply for and receive from the federal government, its  
10 agencies, or from other public or private sources, gifts, grants, or  
11 other aids available for its purposes. The commission may use a  
12 gift, grant, or other aid subject to reasonable limitations imposed  
13 by the grantor.

14 Sec. 44.20.070. EXPENDITURES. The commission may expend  
15 appropriated funds for any purpose not inconsistent with the intent  
16 of secs. 010 - 080 of this chapter, including, but not limited to,  
17 expenditures for feasibility studies by private firms.

18 Sec. 44.20.080. REPORTS. The commission shall report annually  
19 to the state legislature and the governor concerning the work of the  
20 commission and shall recommend legislation by Congress and the state  
21 to carry out the purposes of secs. 010 - 080 of this chapter.

22 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval  
23 or on the day it becomes law without approval.  
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