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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 481

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a division of geological survey."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 41 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

9 CHAPTER 7. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

10 Sec. 41.07.010. DIVISION OF GEOLOGICAL SURVEY. The commissioner
11 of natural resources shall control and supervise the division of
12 geological survey created and established under the Department of
13 Natural Resources. The head of the division of geological survey,
14 called the state geologist, has administrative powers and other
15 delegated duties, as prescribed by law or regulation.

16 Sec. 41.07.020. POWERS AND DUTIES. The division of geological
17 survey is authorized to make a complete geological survey of the state,
18 giving special attention to all natural products of economic importance
19 in order to determine the character, location, and amount of these
20 products; and to provide information on and call attention to areas of
21 potential danger of a geologic nature to private or public building
22 projects. An annual report by the division shall be made to the gov-
23 ernor and the legislature. The report shall indicate specifically the
24 lands that have been surveyed and the general progress and condition
25 of the work.

26 Sec. 41.07.030. PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS. The annual
27 and other reports of the survey, with proper illustrations and maps,
28 shall be printed as the state geologist may direct, and the reports
29 shall be distributed or sold by him as the interests of the state and

1 of science demand. All money obtained by the sale of reports shall be
2 paid into the general fund.

3 Sec. 41.07.040. COOPERATION WITH UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.
4 The state geologist may make provisions for topographic, geologic,
5 and hydrographic surveys of the state in cooperation with the United
6 States Geological Survey in such manner as in his opinion will be of
7 the greatest benefit to the agricultural, industrial, and geological
8 requirements of the state.

9 Sec. 41.07.050. ENTRY ON LANDS AUTHORIZED. In order to carry out
10 the purpose of this chapter, members of the division of geological
11 survey have the right to enter and cross all land in the state, but
12 no damage may be done to private property.
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