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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 798

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 disclosure of geologic and other
7 subsurface data."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 31.05.030(d)(2) is amended to read:

10 (2) the making and filing of reports, well logs, drilling
11 logs, electric logs, lithologic logs, directional surveys, and all
12 other subsurface information on a well drilled for oil or gas, or for
13 the discovery of oil or gas, or for geologic information [, AND THE RE-
14 QUIRED REPORTS AND INFORMATION SHALL BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE
15 COMPLETION, ABANDONMENT, OR SUSPENSION OF THE WELL, AND REQUIRED REPORTS
16 AND INFORMATION MARKED "CONFIDENTIAL" SHALL BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL FOR
17 24 MONTHS AFTER THE 30-DAY FILING PERIOD, UNLESS THE OWNER GIVES WRITTEN
18 PERMISSION TO RELEASE THE REPORTS, LOGS, OR OTHER INFORMATION AT AN
19 EARLIER DATE];

20 * Sec. 2. AS 31.05 is amended by the addition of a new section to read:

21 Sec. 31.05.035. CONFIDENTIAL REPORTS. (a) For all wells for which
22 a permit to drill has been issued by the department since January 3,
23 1959, the department may require:

24 (1) the making and filing of reports, well logs, drilling
25 logs, electric logs, lithologic logs, directional surveys, and all other
26 subsurface information on a well drilled for oil or gas, or for the
27 discovery of oil or gas, or for geologic information; and

28 (2) the filing of all logs, except experimental logs and
29 dipmeter surveys, run on a well and not required by (1) of this subsection;

1 (3) reports and information required under (1) and (2) of
2 this subsection shall be filed within 30 days after the completion,
3 abandonment, or suspension of a well.

4 (b) The reports and information marked confidential shall be kept
5 confidential for 24 months following the 30-day filing period unless
6 the owner of the well gives written permission to release the reports
7 and information at an earlier date. Well location, depth, status and
8 production data and any reports required by the department to be filed
9 subsequent to the 30-day filing period shall be considered public
10 information and shall not be classified confidential.
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