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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR 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, geophysics  
7 and other 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, dip-  
29 meter surveys, and velocity surveys run on a well and not required by

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(1) of this subsection;

(3) reports and information required under (1) and (2) of this subsection shall be filed within 30 days after the completion, abandonment, or suspension of a well. However, under (1) of this subsection, the department may not require the making of a log on a well completed, abandoned or suspended before the effective date of this Act.

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