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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 *CS* HOUSE BILL NO. 614
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the classification of lands."

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

8 * Section 1. INTENT. The purpose of this Act is to maintain and per-
9 petuate bald eagles by classifying areas of the Chilkat River, the Takhin
10 River, and Lutak Inlet as critical habitat areas for the spawning of salmon
11 and the fall and winter feeding and resting of bald eagles.

12 * Sec. 2. AS 16.20 is amended by adding new sections to read:

13 ARTICLE 5. FISH AND GAME CRITICAL HABITAT AREAS.

14 Sec. 16.20.240. PURPOSE. The purpose of secs. 240 - 290 of this
15 chapter is to protect and preserve habitat areas especially crucial to
16 the perpetuation of fish and wildlife, and to restrict all other uses
17 not compatible with that primary purpose.

18 Sec. 16.20.250. CRITICAL HABITAT AREAS ESTABLISHED. The following
19 described areas are established as fish and game critical habitat areas:

20 (1) Chilkat River:

21 (A) Township 28 South, Range 56 East, Copper River
22 Meridian

23 Section 32 (that portion west of the east bank of
24 the Chilkat River)

25 Section 33 (that portion south of the north bank
26 of the Chilkat River)

27 Section 34 (that portion below 500 feet elevation)
28 (B) Township 29 South, Range 56 East, Copper River
29 Meridian

1 Sections 1, 4, 9 - 16 (those portions below
2 500 feet elevation)

3 (C) Township 29 South, Range 57 East, Copper River
4 Meridian

5 Sections 5 - 10, 14 - 17, 20 - 23, 25 - 28, 34 - 36
6 (those portions below 500 feet elevation);

7 (2) Lutak Inlet:

8 (A) Township 29 South, Range 58 East, Copper River
9 Meridian

10 Section 25 (that portion below 500 feet elevation)

11 (B) Township 29 South, Range 59 East, Copper River
12 Meridian

13 Section 30 (that portion below 500 feet elevation);

14 (3) Takhin River:

15 (A) Township 30 South, Range 57 East, Copper River
16 Meridian

17 Section 24 (that portion below 500 feet elevation)

18 (B) Township 30 South, Range 58 East, Copper River
19 Meridian

20 Sections 17 - 20 (those portions below 500 feet
21 elevation).

22 Sec. 16.20.260. REGULATIONS. The board shall, under ch. 5 of
23 this title, establish regulations it considers advisable for conserva-
24 tion and protection purposes governing the taking of fish and game in
25 state fish and game critical habitat areas.

26 Sec. 16.20.270. MULTIPLE LAND USE. Before the use, lease or
27 other disposal of land under private ownership or state jurisdiction
28 and control, within state fish and game critical habitat areas created
29 by secs. 240 - 290 of this chapter, the person or responsible state

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department or agency shall notify the commissioner of fish and game.
The commissioner shall acknowledge receipt of notice by return mail.

Sec. 16.20.280. SUBMISSION OF PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS. If the commissioner so determines, he shall, in the letter of acknowledgment, require the person or governmental agency to submit full plans for the anticipated use, full plans and specifications of proposed construction work, complete plans and specifications for the proper protection of fish and game, and the approximate date when the construction or work is to commence, and shall require the person or governmental agency to obtain the written approval of the commissioner as to the sufficiency of the plans or specifications before construction is commenced.

Sec. 16.20.290. ADDITIONAL CRITICAL HABITAT AREAS. The commissioner shall submit a list of additional critical habitat areas to the legislature annually.