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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 104

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to geological and geophysical sur-  
7 veys; and providing for an effective date."

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

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

10 CHAPTER 8. GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS

11 Sec. 41.08.010. DIVISION OF GEOLOGICAL AND GEOPHYSICAL SURVEYS.

12 There is established in the Department of Natural Resources a division  
13 of geological and geophysical surveys under the direction of the state  
14 geologist.

15 Sec. 41.08.015. STATE GEOLOGIST. The Commissioner of Natural  
16 Resources shall appoint the state geologist, who must be a professional  
17 geologist.

18 Sec. 41.08.020. POWERS AND DUTIES. The state geologist shall  
19 conduct geological and geophysical surveys to determine the potential  
20 of Alaskan lands for production of metals, minerals and fuels; the  
21 locations and supplies of ground waters and construction materials;  
22 the potential geologic hazards to buildings, roads, bridges and other  
23 installations and structures; and shall conduct such other surveys and  
24 investigations as shall advance knowledge of the geology of Alaska.  
25 With the approval of the commissioner, the state geologist may acquire,  
26 by gift or purchase, geological and geophysical reports, surveys and  
27 similar information.

28 Sec. 41.08.030. PRINTING AND DISTRIBUTION OF REPORTS. The state  
29 geologist shall print and publish an annual report and such other

1 special and topical reports and maps as may be desirable for the  
2 benefit of the state, including the printing or reprinting of reports  
3 and maps made by other persons or agencies, where authorization to do  
4 so is obtained. Reports and maps may be sold and all money received  
5 from such sales shall be paid into the general fund.

6 Sec. 41.08.040. COOPERATION WITH OTHER AGENCIES. The state  
7 geologist, with the consent of the commissioner, may enter into  
8 cooperative agreements with federal, state, and local governmental  
9 agencies to perform geological and geophysical surveys, studies,  
10 investigations, and services.

11 \* Sec. 2. AS 41.07 is repealed.

12 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1971.