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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 39

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to noise control; and providing for  
7 an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 18 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 73. NOISE CONTROL.

11 Sec. 18.73.010. STANDARD FOR OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON  
12 STATE LAND. (a) It is unlawful to operate a motor vehicle on state-  
13 owned land or a state right-of-way which tested at maximum power,  
14 emits noise in excess of 90 decibels at a distance of 50 feet, tested  
15 while the motor vehicle is immobile; however,

16 (1) if the motor vehicle is operated on land other than  
17 state-owned land or a state right-of-way and at its maximum engine  
18 power emits a noise level in excess of the maximum allowable under  
19 this paragraph at the boundary of state-owned land or a state right-  
20 of-way, the operator is guilty of a violation of this section;

21 (2) the commissioner of public safety may issue a permit  
22 exempting a person operating the motor vehicle from the restrictions  
23 imposed by this section for a specific and limited purpose which does  
24 not threaten the public welfare;

25 (b) For purposes of this chapter, sound pressure levels in  
26 decibels shall be measured on the "A" scale of a sound level meter  
27 having characteristics defined by American Standards Association S1,  
28 4-1966 "General Purpose Sound Meter."

29 (c) A person who violates a provision of this chapter is guilty

1 of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, is punishable by a fine of not  
2 more than \$200 or by imprisonment for not more than one year, or by  
3 both.

4 Sec. 18.73.020. REGULATIONS. The Department of Public Safety shall  
5 promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of this chapter.

6 Sec. 18.73.030. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter "motor vehicle"  
7 means every vehicle which is self-propelled, excluding aircraft, military  
8 vehicles and vehicles which operate on rails.

9 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval  
10 or on the day it becomes law without approval.