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SENATE BILL NO. 493

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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EIGHTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the construction, operation and
7 maintenance of a high seas long range marine radio
8 station by the Department of Commerce; and providing
9 for an effective date."

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

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* Section 1. AS 30 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

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CHAPTER 08. HIGH SEAS LONG RANGE MARINE RADIO STATION.

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Sec. 30.08.010. AUTHORIZATION. If on August 1, 1974, the com-
missioner finds that the radio services provided by the facility autho-
rized by this chapter are not available through any other privately
15 owned public utility, the department may construct, operate and maintain
16 a high seas long range marine radio station to operate on the 4, 6 and
17 8 megahertz frequency bands. The authority of the department to provide
18 this radio service continues so long as it is in the public interest.

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Sec. 30.08.020. TOLL REVENUES. The department may

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(1) charge tolls for its services; and

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(2) enter into agreements with local and long distance tele-

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phone utilities for the sharing of tolls and revenues.

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Sec. 30.08.030. SUBJECT TO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION REGULATION.

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The services, facilities, tolls and toll schedules, rates and other
charges, system of accounts, operation and management of the radio
27 station facility and service authorized under sec. 10 of this chapter
28 are subject to the provisions of the Public Utilities Commission Act
29 (AS 42.05).

1 Sec. 30.08.040. REGULATIONS. The commissioner shall promulgate
2 regulations under the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62) governing
3 the operation and use of the facilities and services authorized under
4 sec. 10 of this chapter as a public utility.

5 Sec. 30.08.050. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

6 (1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce;

7 (2) "department" means the Department of Commerce.

8 * Sec. 2. This Act takes effect August 1, 1974.