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2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 236

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 NINTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Keystone Canyon State Park."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 41.20 is amended by adding new sections to read:

9 ARTICLE 9A. KEYSTONE CANYON STATE PARK.

10 Sec. 41.20.347. DECLARATION OF PURPOSE. The purpose of secs.
11 347 - 353 of this chapter is to dedicate and restrict lands and waters
12 described in sec. 349 of this chapter for use as a scenic park, as
13 defined in sec. 47 of this chapter, to be known as the Keystone Canyon
14 State Park. The primary purpose in creating the park is to protect
15 and develop the area's recreational and scenic resources for present
16 and future generations. Sections 347 - 353 of this chapter close the
17 described lands and waters to multiple-purpose use in conformity with
18 AS 38.05.300 and designates them as a special purpose site in accor-
19 dance with art. VIII, sec. 7, of the Constitution of the State of
20 Alaska.

21 Sec. 41.20.349. DESIGNATED LAND AND WATER RESTRICTED TO USE AS
22 A STATE PARK. The lands and waters lying within the boundaries
23 described in this section, containing approximately 315,000 acres,
24 are designated as the Keystone Canyon State Park:

25 (1) a tract of land in the southcentral region of Alaska,
26 beginning at the NW corner, Section 6, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

27 (2) thence easterly along the north line of Section 6 to
28 the SW corner, Section 32, T8S, R4W, C.R.M.;

29 (3) thence northerly along the west line of sections to the

1 NW corner, Section 8, T7S, R4W, C.R.M.;

2 (4) thence easterly along the north line of sections to the
3 NE corner of Section 9, T7S, R2W, C.R.M.;

4 (5) thence southerly along the east line of sections to the
5 SE corner of Section 21, T7S, R2W, C.R.M.;

6 (6) thence easterly along the north line of sections to the
7 NE corner of Section 26, T7S, R1W, C.R.M.;

8 (7) thence southerly along the east line of sections to the
9 SE corner of Section 35, T8S, R1W, C.R.M.;

10 (8) thence westerly along the north line of sections to the
11 SW corner of Section 32, T8S, R1W, C.R.M.;

12 (9) thence southerly along the east line of sections to the
13 SE corner of Section 7, T9S, R1W, C.R.M.;

14 (10) thence westerly along the south line of Sections 7 and
15 12 to the SW corner of Section 12, T9S, R2W, C.R.M.;

16 (11) thence south along the east line of Section 14 to the
17 SE corner of Section 14, T9S, R2W, C.R.M.;

18 (12) thence west along the south line of Section 14 to the
19 SW corner of Section 14, T9S, R2W, C.R.M.;

20 (13) thence south along the east line of sections to the
21 SE corner of Section 27, T10S, R2W, C.R.M.;

22 (14) thence west along the south line of Section 27 to the
23 SW corner of Section 27, T10S, R2W, C.R.M.;

24 (15) thence south along the east line of Section 33 to the
25 SE corner of Section 33, T10S, R2W, C.R.M.;

26 (16) thence west along the south line of Section 33 to the
27 SW corner of Section 33, T10S, R2W, C.R.M.;

28 (17) thence south along the east line of Sections 5 and 8
29 to the SE corner of Section 8, T11S, R2W, C.R.M.;

1 (18) thence west along the south line of Section 8 to the
2 SW corner of Section 8, T11S, R2W, C.R.M.;

3 (19) thence south along the east line of Sections 18 and 19
4 to the SE corner of Section 19, T11S, R2W, C.R.M.;

5 (20) thence west along the south line of sections to the inter-
6 section of the south line of Section 21, T11S, R4W, C.R.M. with the
7 north boundary of the Chugach National Forest;

8 (21) thence northwesterly along said boundary to the inter-
9 section of the west line of Section 30, T10S, R4W, C.R.M.;

10 (22) thence north along the west line of sections to the
11 NW corner of Section 7, T10S, R5W, C.R.M.;

12 (23) thence east along the north line of sections to the
13 NE corner of Section 10, T10S, R4W, C.R.M.;

14 (24) thence north along the west line of Sections 2 and 34
15 to the NE corner of Section 34, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

16 (25) thence westerly along the north line of Section 34 to
17 the SW corner, Section 27, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

18 (26) thence northerly along the west line of Section 27
19 to the NW corner, Section 28, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

20 (27) thence westerly along the north line of Section 28
21 to the SW corner of Section 21, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

22 (28) thence northerly along the west line of Section 21
23 to the SW corner of Section 16, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.;

24 (29) thence west to the SE corner, Section 18, T9S, R4W,
25 C.R.M.;

26 (30) thence north along the west line of sections to the NW
27 corner of Section 6, T9S, R4W, C.R.M.; said point being the point of
28 beginning.

29 Sec. 41.20.351. DESIGNATION OF MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY. The

1 lands and waters described in sec. 349 of this chapter are assigned
2 to the Department of Natural Resources for control, development and
3 maintenance. The Department of Fish and Game is responsible for the
4 management of fish and wildlife resources in the Keystone Canyon
5 State Park and shall consult with the Department of Natural Resources
6 in promulgation of regulations concerning fish and wildlife management.
7 The Department of Natural Resources shall consult with the Department
8 of Fish and Game in promulgation of regulations concerning the use
9 and control of firearms in the area. The maintenance of public roads
10 and highways within the area is the responsibility of the Department
11 of Highways.

12 Sec. 41.20.353. INCOMPATIBLE USES. (a) The land and water
13 areas described in sec. 349 of this chapter are open to mineral entry
14 under provisions of AS 38.05.205 and 38.05.245 and regulations adopted
15 under them and the further requirement that before entry on park lands
16 a mineral permittee or lessee shall file a plan of operations for
17 approval of the commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources.
18 The plan is subject to any reasonable conditions the commissioner may
19 impose to minimize environmental impact. The commissioner shall adopt
20 regulations providing for continuation of traditional subsistence use of
21 the area.

22 (b) Excluded from park lands are all rights-of-way and material
23 sites which have been granted as of the effective date of this Act
24 or for which applications have been filed as of the effective date of
25 this Act with state and federal agencies by the Department of Highways
26 for purposes of a transportation corridor from the Richardson Highway
27 to the Copper River. This exclusion may be cancelled and the lands
28 included in the park by agreement of the commissioner of highways and
29 the commissioner of natural resources.

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(c) The development, operation and maintenance of transportation corridors and flood control and hydroelectric power projects is not an incompatible use and shall be permitted under a plan of operations approved by the commissioner of natural resources.

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