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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 38

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Alaska youth hostel system."

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 12. YOUTH HOSTEL SYSTEM.

10 Sec. 41.20.410. CREATION. There is established the Alaska youth
11 hostel system administered by the division of parks, Department of
12 Natural Resources.

13 Sec. 41.20.420. DUTIES. The division shall

14 (1) after consultation with community organizations or
15 individuals and after maximum utilization of existing local effort, plan
16 and facilitate the implementation of a statewide system of youth hostel
17 facilities;

18 (2) administer a program of grants to eligible nonprofit
19 corporations, municipalities, and organizations for construction,
20 maintenance, and operation of youth hostels;

21 (3) cooperate and consult with national or international
22 organizations established for the purpose of establishing or regulating
23 youth hostel facilities and follow, where appropriate, the specific
24 guidelines established by the American Youth Hostel Association and the
25 International Youth Hostel Association;

26 (4) adopt, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure
27 Act (AS 44.62), regulations governing the establishment and adminis-
28 tration of youth hostel facilities.

29 Sec. 41.20.430. HOSTEL LOCATION. In developing the statewide

1 system of Alaska youth hostels, the division shall, within the limits of
2 available funding, and after receiving the recommendations of the Alaska
3 Youth Hostel Advisory Committee, establish at least one youth hostel in
4 each of the five following major regions of the state: arctic, south-
5 central, interior, southwestern, and southeastern. Hostel facilities
6 shall be located, when possible, within major population areas within
7 those regions. Other hostels may be established within the five regions
8 as funding permits.

9 Sec. 41.20.440. HOSTEL FACILITY. Each youth hostel facility shall
10 be equipped with suitable toilet and kitchen facilities. Each facility
11 shall be supervised under regulations adopted by the division of parks.

12 Sec. 41.20.450. ALASKA YOUTH HOSTEL ADVISORY COMMITTEE. (a)
13 There is created the Alaska Youth Hostel Advisory Committee consisting
14 of four persons, to include the director of the division of parks or his
15 designee as an ex officio non voting member, and three others, one from
16 each of the following fields or groups: youth services, education, and
17 a member of a recognized user group.

18 (b) Except for the ex officio member, members of the committee are
19 appointed by the governor for terms of three years and serve at his
20 pleasure. Upon initial appointment, one shall serve for one year, one
21 for two years, and one for three years.

22 (c) All members of the committee serve without compensation but
23 are entitled to per diem and travel expenses authorized by law for
24 boards and commissions. The committee shall meet at least three times a
25 year.

26 (d) The committee shall

27 (1) recommend to the division of parks locations for the
28 construction of youth hostels;

29 (2) advise the division on use policy for the Alaska youth

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hostel system;

(3) render other assistance considered necessary and appropriate by the division;

(4) establish criteria for the grant programs authorized under sec. 420(2) of this chapter and have approval authority for grants made under sec. 420(2) of this chapter.

(e) The members of the Alaska Youth Hostel Advisory Committee are exempt from the financial disclosure requirements of AS 39.50.

Sec. 41.20.460. REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE. The division of parks shall report to the legislature each year during its regular session. The report shall give the number of hostels established, their location, the extent to which they have been utilized, and general recommendations for improvement of the program.