

Original sponsor: Rules Committee by request  
of the Governor

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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

2 FREE CONFERENCE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 195

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the regulation of the drilling of  
7 deep wells other than oil or gas wells."

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

9 \* Section 1. AS 31.05.030 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

10 (g) When the department finds sufficient likelihood of an unex-  
11 pected encounter of oil, gas, or other hazardous substance as a result  
12 of well drilling in an area of the state, the department may, by regu-  
13 lation, designate the area and specify a depth in the area as one in  
14 which wells or any boring into the soil in excess of the specified depth  
15 but not otherwise subject to this chapter are subject to the regulations  
16 and requirements adopted under this section. No designation of an area  
17 or specification of a depth under this subsection constitutes a certi-  
18 fication that no hazardous substance will be encountered in another area  
19 or at a lesser depth, and the state is not liable for any damages  
20 arising from such an unexpected encounter of a hazardous substance.

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