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1 IN THE SENATE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

2 SENATE BILL NO. 247 am

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 use of firearms in public place."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 11.55.050 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 11.55.050. FLOURISHING, POINTING OR DISCHARGING FIREARM IN
10 PUBLIC PLACE. (a) Unless specifically permitted by law or ordinance,
11 a person who flourishes, points or discharges a firearm in a city of
12 any class, or in or on a railway coach, steamboat or steamship, or in
13 or near a park or public grounds, or at a public place, whether public
14 in itself, or made public at the time by an assemblage of persons, is
15 guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction is punishable by a fine
16 of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment in a jail for not more than
17 six months, or by both.

18 (b) The provisions of (a) of this section are applicable to all
19 state monuments, historical sites, wilderness trails and campsites,
20 paths along trails and highways, roadside rests, and recreational
21 beaches, established under authority of AS 41.20. [NOTWITHSTANDING
22 THE PROVISIONS IN (a) OF THIS SECTION, FIREARMS MAY BE USED IN THOSE
23 STATE PARKS WHICH ARE BY STATUTE, OR BY LAWFUL REGULATION, OPEN TO
24 SHOOTING.]

25 (c) The provisions of (a) of this section are not applicable to
26 the use of firearms in conjunction with the taking of game in a state
27 park (including a wilderness or scenic park) or recreation area
28 established under AS 41.20 (including the Chena River Recreation Area
29 created by ch. 26 SLA 1967, and the Nancy Lake State Recreation Area

1 created by ch. 61 SLA 1966) if that use is in full accordance with
2 regulations governing hunting and trapping adopted by the Alaska Board
3 of Game under AS 16 and other applicable laws and regulations.

4 * Sec. 2. AS 41.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 Sec. 41.20.049. FISH AND GAME MANAGEMENT. (a) Nothing in this
6 title limits or restricts the commissioner of fish and game, the
7 Alaska Board of Fisheries, or the Alaska Board of Game in the exercise
8 of their respective statutory authorities relating to fish and game
9 resources of the state.

10 (b) The commissioner of fish and game, in cooperation with the
11 commissioner of natural resources, shall annually identify areas
12 within state parks established under AS 41.20 which are suitable for
13 reservation for wildlife viewing, photography, and related purposes.
14 The commissioners may recommend to the Board of Game that those areas be
15 closed to hunting and trapping.

16 * Sec. 3. AS 41.20.230(c) and 41.20.280 are repealed.
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