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1 IN THE SENATE

BY BRADLEY

2 SENATE BILL NO. 354

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 creation of a utility corridor for  
7 extension of the Alaska Railroad; and providing for an  
8 effective date."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 19.05 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 Sec. 19.05.122. UTILITY CORRIDOR FOR EXTENSION OF THE ALASKA RAIL-  
12 ROAD. (a) The interior division of the department shall delineate a  
13 proposed utility corridor for the extension of the Alaska Railroad to  
14 the Canadian border. The proposed utility corridor shall include a  
15 delineation of a proposed railroad right-of-way.

16 (b) The commissioner shall, in conformity with the Administrative  
17 Procedure Act (AS 44.62), adopt a regulation approving, modifying, or  
18 rejecting the proposed utility corridor and railroad right-of-way.

19 (c) If the commissioner approves or modifies the proposed utility  
20 corridor and railroad right-of-way,

21 (1) the Department of Natural Resources shall classify, or  
22 reclassify, and reserve any state land within the utility corridor for  
23 use as a utility corridor and railroad right-of-way; and

24 (2) the department shall exercise its authority under sec. 40  
25 of this chapter to acquire rights-of-way across land within the utility  
26 corridor which is subject to the state's power of condemnation.

27 (d) The requirements of the Alaska Land Act (AS 38.05) relating to  
28 classification and reclassification of land are inapplicable to actions  
29 taken under this section.

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\* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1977.