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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY ROGERS

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 16

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 ELEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act making technical amendments to the state pro-
7 gram providing for homestead entry lands; and providing
8 for an effective date."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 38.05.410(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) On July 1, 1979, all [ALL] vacant, unappropriated, and unre-
12 served general grant land is classified and available as homestead entry
13 land except trust land. The land shall remain classified as homestead
14 entry land until 30 per cent or 30,000,000 acres, whichever comes first,
15 of the state general grant land has passed into private ownership
16 through the homestead program established in secs. 410 - 540 of this
17 chapter. The director may reclassify for public purposes up to 500,000
18 acres of land classified as homestead entry land under this section.

19 * Sec. 2. AS 38.05.410(b) is amended to read:

20 (b) The director or his designee, not later than July 31, 1979
21 [WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ACT] and annually
22 thereafter, shall publish notice in at least three newspapers of general
23 circulation in the state and shall make available to the public infor-
24 mation relating to the general availability of land for homestead entry
25 under this section.

26 * Sec. 3. AS 38.05.430(a) is amended to read:

27 (a) By October 1, 1979, [NINETY DAYS AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF
28 THIS ACT] and every 90 days thereafter, the director or his designee
29 shall notify successful applicants for homestead grants during the pre-

1 vious 90-day period of their right to enter on the land. The applicant
2 is entitled to take possession of the land 90 days after the close of
3 the 90-day period in which he submitted his application if the director
4 fails to inform him of his right to enter unless the director has noti-
5 fied the applicant by registered mail that the applicant is ineligible
6 for the grant and includes the basis for that finding.

7 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect on the effective date of Initiative #10,
8 Ballot Proposition No. 4 of the general election of November 7, 1978, en-
9 acting the Alaska Homestead Act.

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