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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY MILLER

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 28

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 TWELFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to youth hostels and providing for an
7 effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 45 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

10 CHAPTER 91. YOUTH HOSTEL REVOLVING LOAN FUND.

11 Sec. 45.91.010. FUND ESTABLISHED. There is established in the
12 Department of Commerce and Economic Development the youth hostel re-
13 volving loan fund to finance construction of youth hostels. Only a
14 youth hostel meeting guidelines established by American Youth Hostels,
15 Inc. may receive a loan from the fund.

16 Sec. 45.91.020. RESPONSIBILITIES OF DEPARTMENT. (a) The depart-
17 ment may make loans for the construction of youth hostels and the
18 refurbishing of existing buildings for use as youth hostels. Loans may
19 be made only on approval of the coordinator of the Alaska youth hostel
20 program appointed under AS 41.20.450.

21 (b) The department in consultation with the coordinator of the
22 Alaska youth hostel program appointed under AS 41.20.540 shall develop
23 eligibility standards for loans under this chapter.

24 (c) The department may adopt regulations necessary to carry out
25 the provisions of this chapter.

26 Sec. 45.91.030. LOAN TERMS. (a) A loan for the construction of
27 a youth hostel under this chapter may not exceed \$200,000.

28 (b) A loan made under this chapter may be used to finance no more
29 than 90 percent of the total cost of construction of a youth hostel.

1 For the purposes of this section, the value of real estate to be used
2 directly in conjunction with the loan in the construction of a youth
3 hostel, or value of other in-kind contribution, may be counted in
4 calculating the total cost of construction of a youth hostel.

5 (c) The principal of a loan made under this chapter shall be
6 repaid into the youth hostel revolving loan fund at a rate of \$2 a bed
7 for each night that a bed in the youth hostel financed by the loan is
8 occupied.

9 (d) A loan made under this chapter is interest free.

10 Sec. 45.91.040. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter

11 (1) "commissioner" means the commissioner of commerce and
12 economic development;

13 (2) "department" means the Department of Commerce and Econo-
14 mic Development.

15 * Sec. 2. AS 18.35.090(1) is amended to read:

16 (1) "tourist accomodations" means a place maintained, or
17 held out to the public for purposes of abode whether occupied by tran-
18 sient or permanent guests whether equipped with tents, tent houses,
19 cottages, automobile trailers, coaches, motor courts, or motels, re-
20 gardless of whether benefit accrues to the owner or operator; however,
21 the term does not mean a youth hostel chartered by American Youth
22 Hostels, Inc.;

23 * Sec. 3. AS 41.20.420(3) is amended to read:

24 (3) cooperate and consult with national or international
25 organizations established for the purpose of establishing or regulating
26 youth hostel facilities and follow, where appropriate, the specific
27 guidelines established by [THE] American Youth Hostels, Inc. [HOSTEL
28 ASSOCIATION] and the International Youth Hostel Association.

29 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-

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