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1 IN THE SENATE

2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 23  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to outdoor recreation and historic  
7 projects; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 \* Section 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. (a) The legislature finds that  
10 (1) significant opportunities for outdoor recreation are part of  
11 what makes Alaska different;

12 (2) this difference is vital to the mental and physical well-  
13 being of Alaskans and should be affirmatively encouraged by the legisla-  
14 ture;

15 (3) the state has many sites of national and international  
16 significance that are worthy of preservation for future generations;

17 (4) these significant sites are being lost to the people of the  
18 state through decay and neglect and from purchase and reconstruction;

19 (5) the state and its citizens derive significant economic,  
20 cultural, and spiritual benefits through the enhancement of outdoor  
21 recreational opportunities and historic preservation.

22 (b) Therefore the legislature concludes that

23 (1) there is a compelling public interest and a demonstrated  
24 community need for the preservation, enhancement, protection, and reha-  
25 bilitation of outdoor recreation facilities and historic sites; and

26 (2) the legislature should regularly support the grant program  
27 for the preservation and enhancement of outdoor recreation facilities and  
28 historic sites.

29 \* Sec. 2. AS 41.98 is amended by adding new sections to read:

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ARTICLE 4. OUTDOOR RECREATION AND HISTORIC  
PROPERTIES GRANT PROGRAM.

Sec. 41.98.185. OUTDOOR RECREATION AND HISTORIC PROPERTIES GRANT PROGRAM. (a) There is in the Department of Natural Resources an outdoor recreation and historic properties grant fund administered by the division of parks.

(b) Appropriations and other money deposited in the fund shall be used by the division to make grants not to exceed 75 percent of the total cost of

(1) an outdoor recreation project initiated by a municipality to acquire, develop, or extend outdoor recreation sites and facilities under criteria established by the commissioner of natural resources; and

(2) an historic properties project initiated by an owner of property, by a municipality, or by an agency or individual having management responsibility for historic property.

(c) At least 25 percent of the appropriations and other money deposited in the fund shall be used by the division to make grants for historical properties projects.

(d) Appropriations and other money deposited in the fund shall be used by the division to make grants not to exceed 75 percent of the total cost of a project that is initiated by a municipality, corporation, or an individual under regulations adopted by the department.

(e) The department may adopt regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of this chapter.

(f) The department shall provide an annual status report on the outdoor recreation and historic properties grant program to the legislature.

(g) As used in this section

1 (1) "department" means the Department of Natural Resources;

2 (2) "fund" means the outdoor recreation and historic prop-  
3 erties grant fund established in this section;

4 (3) "historic properties project" means a project for the  
5 acquisition, rehabilitation, preservation, or protection of one or  
6 more historic sites, structures, or monuments that meets criteria  
7 established by the Historic Sites Advisory Committee;

8 (4) "outdoor recreation project" means a project that will  
9 improve and enhance outdoor recreation opportunities for residents and  
10 visitors to the state and includes, but is not necessarily limited to,  
11 the acquisition or development of land or water for

12 (A) outdoor sports and playfields;

13 (B) picnic facilities;

14 (C) camping facilities;

15 (D) outdoor swimming facilities;

16 (E) boat launches and transient moorage;

17 (F) fishing and hunting facilities;

18 (G) winter sports facilities;

19 (H) landscaping facilities;

20 (I) recreational, historical and wilderness trails,  
21 waterways, and associated facilities; or

22 (J) appropriate information markers

23 Sec. 41.98.190. ADMINISTRATIVE AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE. The  
24 division of parks may assist an applicant in planning, preparing  
25 applications for outdoor recreation and historic properties grants,  
26 and for project administration.

27 \* Sec. 3. AS 41.98.170, 41.98.175, and 41.98.180 are repealed.

28 \* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect July 1, 1984.