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2 SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR SENATE BILL NO. 225

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act creating the Matanuska Valley Moose Range."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 16.20 is amended by adding new sections to read:

9 ARTICLE 7. MATANUSKA VALLEY MOOSE RANGE.

10 Sec. 16.20.340. PURPOSE. The purpose of AS 16.20.340 - 16.20.-
11 360 is to establish the area described in AS 16.20.350 as the Mata-
12 nuska Valley Moose Range. The primary purpose of the Matanuska Valley
13 Moose Range is to maintain and rehabilitate moose populations and
14 habitat and other wildlife resources of the area and to perpetuate
15 public multiple use of the area, including but not limited to fishing,
16 grazing, hunting, trapping, mineral entry, and other forms of public
17 use of public land not incompatible with the purpose stated in this
18 section.

19 Sec. 16.20.350. DESIGNATED STATE LAND AND WATER. The state-
20 owned land and water, vacant and unappropriated, and all that acquired
21 in the future by the state, lying within the boundary described in
22 this section, are designated as the Matanuska Valley Moose Range, are
23 reserved from all uses incompatible with their primary function as
24 public use land, and are assigned to the Department of Natural Re-
25 sources and Department of Fish and Game for control, enforcement,
26 development, and maintenance:

27 (1) Township 18 North, Range 1 East, Seward Meridian

28 Section 1

29 (2) Township 18 North, Range 2 East, Seward Meridian

- 1 Sections 1 - 2, that portion lying north of the
- 2 Matanuska River
- 3 Sections 3 - 6
- 4 (3) Township 18 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian, that
- 5 portion lying north of the Matanuska River
- 6 (4) Township 19 North, Range 1 East, Seward Meridian
- 7 Section 13
- 8 Sections 24 - 25
- 9 Section 36
- 10 (5) Township 19 North, Range 2 East, Seward Meridian
- 11 Section 1
- 12 Section 2, E1/2
- 13 Section 10, S1/2
- 14 Sections 11 - 35
- 15 (6) Township 19 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian
- 16 Sections 1 - 30, that portion lying north of the
- 17 Matanuska River
- 18 Sections 32 - 36, that portion lying north of the
- 19 Matanuska River
- 20 (7) Township 19 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian, that
- 21 portion lying north of the Matanuska River
- 22 (8) Township 19 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian, that
- 23 portion lying north of the Matanuska River
- 24 (9) Township 20 North, Range 2 East, Seward Meridian
- 25 Section 1
- 26 Sections 12 - 13
- 27 Sections 24 - 25
- 28 Section 36
- 29 (10) Township 20 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian

1 Section 5, W1/2
2 Sections 6 - 7
3 Sections 11 - 13
4 Sections 18 - 19
5 Sections 24 - 25
6 Section 30, N1/2
7 Sections 31 - 33, S1/2
8 Sections 34 - 36
9 (11) Township 20 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian
10 Section 5, W1/2
11 Section 6
12 Section 7, N1/2
13 Sections 12 - 13
14 Sections 21 - 36
15 (12) Township 20 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian
16 Section 5
17 Section 6, E1/2
18 Sections 7 - 8
19 Section 12, S1/2
20 Sections 13 - 34
21 Sections 35 - 36, that portion lying north of the
22 Matanuska River
23 (13) Township 20 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian, that
24 portion lying north of the Matanuska River
25 (14) Township 20 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian
26 Sections 6 - 7
27 Sections 18 - 19
28 Section 30, that portion lying north of the Matanuska
29 River

1 (15) Township 21 North, Range 2 East, Seward Meridian

2 Section 25

3 Section 36

4 (16) Township 21 North, Range 3 East, Seward Meridian

5 Section 25

6 Section 29, W1/2

7 Sections 30 - 31

8 Section 32, W1/2

9 Section 36, N1/2

10 (17) Township 21 North, Range 4 East, Seward Meridian

11 Section 12, W1/2

12 Section 13

13 Section 20

14 Section 21, S1/2

15 Section 24, E1/2

16 Section 28

17 Section 29, E1/2

18 Section 30, S1/2

19 Sections 31 - 32

20 (18) Township 21 North, Range 5 East, Seward Meridian

21 Section 3

22 Section 9

23 Section 10, W1/2

24 Sections 16 - 17

25 Sections 19 - 20

26 Section 21, N1/2

27 Section 29, W1/2

28 Sections 30 - 31

29 Section 32, W1/2

1 (19) Township 21 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian
2 Section 2
3 Section 3, E1/2
4 Section 10
5 Section 11, W1/2
6 Section 14, W1/2
7 Section 15
8 Sections 21 - 22
9 Section 23, W1/2
10 Sections 28 - 29
11 Sections 31 - 36

12 (20) Township 21 North, Range 7 East, Seward Meridian
13 Sections 27 - 28
14 Sections 31 - 32
15 Section 33, N1/2
16 Section 34, N1/2

17 (21) Township 22 North, Range 6 East, Seward Meridian
18 Section 23
19 Section 26
20 Section 35

21 Section 16.20.360. DESIGNATION OF MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITY.

22 (a) The Department of Fish and Game is responsible for the management
23 of fish and game resources on the state land and water described in
24 AS 16.20.350 consistent with the purposes of AS 16.20.340 - 16.20.360.

25 (b) Management of the surface and subsurface estate is the
26 responsibility of the Department of Natural Resources. Actions by the
27 Department of Natural Resources that affect the habitat shall be in
28 conformity with a management plan proposed and adopted by the Depart-
29 ment of Fish and Game, after adequate public hearings. The management

1 plan shall be revised, if necessary and appropriate, under the same
2 procedures followed for initial adoption.

3 (c) The Department of Natural Resources may, after consultation
4 with the Department of Fish and Game, adopt regulations governing the
5 public use of the area. The regulations must provide for multiple use
6 by the public, as defined in AS 38.04.910(4), including, among other
7 uses, fishing, grazing, hunting, trapping, and recreation.
8 Regulations adopted for the Matanuska Valley Moose Range shall not
9 apply to private land within the boundary described in AS 16.20.350.

10 (d) Portions of the area important for fish and wildlife habi-
11 tat, breeding, and migration must be managed to sustain fish and
12 wildlife resources in perpetuity, according to the principle of sus-
13 tained yield.

14 (e) The area shall be open to mineral entry, under reasonable
15 regulations that the Department of Natural Resources may adopt, in
16 consultation with the Department of Fish and Game.

17 (f) The commissioner of natural resources may acquire in the
18 name of the state, by negotiated purchase only, without an option of
19 first purchase, title or interest in real property lying within the
20 boundaries of the Matanuska Valley Moose Range.