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BY THE RULES COMMITTEE BY
REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 366

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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THIRTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to protection of forested land."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 41.15.010 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 41.15.010. INTENT. It is the intent of AS 41.15.010 --
10 41.15.170 to provide protection, commensurate with the value of the
11 resources at risk, for the natural [TIMBER] resources and watersheds
12 on land that is owned privately, by the state, or by a municipality.
13 It is also the intent of AS 41.15.010 -- 41.15.170 to place primary
14 responsibility for suppressing fires on forested land located within a
15 tax-supported fire service area upon the municipality in which that
16 area is located; state assistance in suppressing forest fires in these
17 areas must be provided under AS 41.15.010 -- 41.15.170, commensurate
18 with the value of the resources at risk, if the fire requires sup-
19 pression beyond the capabilities of the municipality [ALL LAND IN THE
20 STATE].

21 * Sec. 2. AS 41.15.030(b) is amended to read:

22 (b) The commissioner may hire emergency fire-fighting personnel
23 [UP TO A TOTAL OF 30,000 MAN-HOURS EACH YEAR], and shall establish
24 classifications and rates of pay for the emergency fire-fighting
25 personnel consistent with the compensation paid by other fire-fighting
26 agencies. The commissioner may adjust the classifications and rates
27 based on findings of the federal Bureau of Land Management for Alaska.