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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 312

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Dude Creek Critical Habitat
7 Area."

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

9 * Section 1. AS 16.20 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 Sec. 16.20.231. DUDE CREEK CRITICAL HABITAT AREA. (a) The
11 purpose of the Dude Creek Critical Habitat Area is the protection and
12 enhancement of the wet meadow habitat that is the key roosting area
13 for migrating lesser sandhill cranes, for the protection of lesser
14 sandhill cranes, and for the continued public use and enjoyment of the
15 area.

16 (b) The Dude Creek Critical Habitat Area described in (d) of
17 this section shall be managed under a management plan prepared by the
18 Department of Fish and Game in consultation with the community of
19 Gustavus and approved by the Board of Game.

20 (c) The Department of Fish and Game shall manage hunting, fish-
21 ing, and trapping within the Dude Creek Critical Habitat Area. The
22 Department of Fish and Game shall permit public access, grazing,
23 firewood harvesting, wildlife viewing, hiking, and berry picking under
24 the management plan adopted under (b) of this section to the extent
25 that the activities are consistent with the purpose for which the Dude
26 Creek Critical Habitat Area was established.

27 (d) The state-owned land and water within the following de-
28 scribed parcels are designated as the Dude Creek Critical Habitat
29 Area:

1 Township 40 South, Range 58 East, Copper River Meridian
2 Section 2: W1/2
3 Section 3
4 Sections 9 - 10
5 Section 11: W1/2NE1/4, W1/2
6 Section 14: Lot 3, NW1/4, N1/2SW1/4, SW1/4SW1/4
7 Section 15
8 Section 16: N1/2, SE1/4