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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE RESOURCES COMMITTEE
2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 440 (Resources)
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
4 FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION
5 A BILL
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to a recreation management plan
7 implementing the Bristol Bay Area Plan; and providing
8 for an effective date."
9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:
10 * Section 1. LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS. The legislature finds that the
11 Bristol Bay Area Plan is an area plan that developed from a cooperative
12 planning process involving state and federal agencies and local residents,
13 and that while the Bristol Bay Area Plan sets out guidelines for the man-
14 agement of the area's natural resources, it recommends further planning for
15 the recreational uses of many of the rivers and land adjacent to the rivers
16 in Bristol Bay. The legislature further recognizes that the recreational
17 uses of the rivers are increasing and that a plan for the recreational
18 management of the rivers is necessary.
19 * Sec. 2. The commissioner of natural resources shall adopt a recrea-
20 tion management plan for the Bristol Bay region. The plan shall address
21 the management topics and options that are within the authority of the
22 commissioner of natural resources. In the adoption of the management plan,
23 the commissioner of natural resources shall consider the implications for
24 federal or private land of action proposed to be taken on state land in the
25 Bristol Bay region. The recreational management plan shall address the
26 recreation management of the Nushagak-Mulchatna River drainage, the Naknek
27 River drainage, and the Kvichak River-Lake Iliamna-Lake Clark drainage.
28 The recreation management plan shall address the recreation management on
29 other rivers in the Bristol Bay region to the extent that recreational uses

1 in the drainages described in this section affect recreational activities
2 on other rivers.

3 * Sec. 3. (a) The commissioner of natural resources shall prepare the
4 recreation management plan with the advice and assistance of an advisory
5 committee. The plan shall be based on the best available biological,
6 geographical, cultural, social, and economic data and prepared after public
7 hearings in communities located on the Nushagak, Mulchatna, Naknek,
8 Kvichak, and Iliamna Rivers and in Dillingham and Anchorage.

9 (b) The advisory committee consists of

10 (1) the commissioner of natural resources;

11 (2) the commissioner of fish and game;

12 (3) a representative of the Bristol Bay Coastal Resource Service
13 Area Board;

14 (4) a representative of the Bristol Bay Borough Coastal Dis-
15 trict;

16 (5) a representative of the Bristol Bay Regional Native Corpo-
17 ration;

18 (6) a representative of the Bristol Bay Native Association;

19 (7) a representative of the Bristol Bay sport fishing community;

20 (8) a representative of the Bristol Bay commercial fishing
21 community; and

22 (9) a representative of the Southcentral Alaska sport fishing
23 community.

24 (c) The representatives of the groups described in (b)(3) - (9) of
25 this section shall be appointed by the commissioner of natural resources
26 from nominations submitted by the respective group.

27 (d) A designee of an advisory committee member may serve in the
28 absence of a member.

29 (e) The commissioner of natural resources shall prepare the plan

1 within two years after the effective date of this Act.

2 (f) The recreation management plan adopted by the commissioner of
3 natural resources becomes a part of the Bristol Bay Area Plan.

4 (g) The recreation management plan prepared by the commissioner under
5 (e) of this section shall be submitted to the legislature for review no
6 later than the 10th day of the First Session of the Sixteenth State
7 Legislature.

8 * Sec. 4. To the maximum extent possible, the commissioner of natural
9 resources shall implement the recommendations of the recreation plan in the
10 management of the land, water, and natural resources of the rivers and land
11 in the Bristol Bay region. For two years after the effective date of this
12 Act or until the recreation management plan has been adopted, whichever is
13 earlier, the commissioner of natural resources shall defer the development
14 of permanent recreation facilities and may not issue a lease for more than
15 five years for commercial recreation purposes within the Bristol Bay Re-
16 gion.

17 * Sec. 5. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
18 10.070(c).