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1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 105

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FOURTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Palmer Hay Flats State Game
7 Refuge; and providing for an effective date."

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

9 * Section 1. The legislature determines that wetlands important to the
10 protection of waterfowl and salmon in the Spring Creek area lie outside of
11 the boundaries of the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge. The Spring Creek
12 area also provides one of the major public access points to the hay flats
13 although the land is privately owned. The legislature therefore determines
14 that it is in the public interest to protect the Spring Creek wetlands
15 through extension of the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge under this Act.

16 * Sec. 2. AS 16.20.032(a) is amended to read:

17 (a) The following state-owned land and water is established as
18 the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge:

19 (1) Township 16 North, Range 1 West, Seward Meridian

20 Sections 1 - 12 inclusive

21 Section 13: N1/2

22 Sections 14 - 18 inclusive

23 (2) Township 17 North, Range 1 West, Seward Meridian

24 Section 25: All

25 Section 26: S1/2, S1/2N1/2, N1/2NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4

26 Section 27: S1/2, SE1/4NE1/4

27 Section 31: Lot 4, SE1/4, E1/2SW1/4, SE1/4NE1/4,

28 S1/2SW1/4NE1/4

29 Section 32: S1/2, S1/2NE1/4, NE1/4NE1/4,

1 SE1/4NW1/4
2 Section 33: All
3 Section 34: All
4 Section 35: All
5 Section 36: All state tide and submerged land
6 (3) Township 17 North, Range 1 East, Seward Meridian
7 Section 22:
8 excluding NW1/4NW1/4
9 excluding NE1/4NE1/4NE1/4
10 excluding N1/2NE1/4NW1/4
11 Section 27:
12 excluding S1/2S1/2
13 Section 28: N1/2SE1/4
14 Section 31: Lots 5, 7, 8, 9, 10
15 Section 32: NE1/4
16 Section 33: SW1/4NW1/4, including all state tide
17 and submerged land

18 (4) Township 16 North, Range 1 East, Seward Meridian
19 Section 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9: All
20 Section 17: N1/2
21 Section 18: N1/2
22 All state tide and submerged land

23 * Sec. 3. (a) The commissioner of natural resources may dispose of
24 state land located within the Matanuska-Susitna borough in exchange for
25 135.6 acres now owned by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough in the area of
26 Spring Creek near the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge.

27 (b) The exchange permitted under this section shall be accomplished
28 under AS 38.50.

29 (c) The commissioner of natural resources shall include the land

1 acquired from the Matanuska-Susitna Borough under this section in the
2 Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge established under AS 16.20.032.

3 * Sec. 4. (a) The commissioner of natural resources may dispose of
4 state land located within the Matanuska-Susitna borough in exchange for
5 privately owned land determined desirable for inclusion in the Palmer Hay
6 Flats State Game Refuge. The commissioner of natural resources may also
7 offer to purchase at fair market value privately owned land determined
8 desirable for inclusion in the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge.

9 (b) An exchange or purchase authorized under (a) of this section
10 shall be accomplished under AS 38.50.

11 (c) The commissioner of natural resources shall include land acquired
12 under this section in the Palmer Hay Flats State Game Refuge established
13 under AS 16.20.032.

14 * Sec. 5. An offer made by the commissioner of natural resources under
15 this Act for a purchase or exchange that remains unaccepted for two years
16 after tender is withdrawn.

17 * Sec. 6. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.-
18 10.070(c).