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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE FINANCE COMMITTEE  
2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 41 (Finance)  
3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
4 FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION  
5 A BILL  
6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the confidentiality of certain  
7 oil and gas information; and providing for an effective  
8 date."  
9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:  
10 \* Section 1. AS 31.05.035(c) is amended to read:  
11 (c) The reports and information required in (a) of this section  
12 for an exploratory or stratigraphic test well shall be kept confidential  
13 for 24 months following the 30-day filing period unless the owner  
14 of the well gives written permission to release the reports and information  
15 at an earlier date. If the commissioner of natural resources  
16 finds that the required reports and information filed before July 1,  
17 1991, under (b) of this section from an exploratory or stratigraphic  
18 test well contain significant information relating to the valuation of  
19 unleased land in the same vicinity, the commission [COMMISSIONER]  
20 shall keep the reports and information confidential for a reasonable  
21 time after the disposition of all affected unleased land, unless the  
22 owner of the well gives written permission to release the reports and  
23 information at an earlier date. Well location, depth, status and production  
24 data and production reports required by the commission to be  
25 filed subsequent to the 30-day filing period is [SHALL BE CONSIDERED]  
26 public information and may [SHALL] not be classified confidential.  
27 The commission shall provide access to information filed after July 1,  
28 1987, that is confidential under this subsection to the Department of  
29 Natural Resources for review in that department's use in carrying out

1 its duties, but the Department of Natural Resources shall keep the  
2 information confidential for the same period required by this subsec-  
3 tion. In [PRODUCTION DATA, AS USED IN] this subsection, "production  
4 data" means volume, gravity, and gas-oil ratio of all production of  
5 oil or gas after the well begins regular production.

6 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect July 1, 1987.