

1 IN THE SENATE

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SENATE BILL NO. 289 am

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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FIFTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act establishing the Arctic National Wildlife
7 Refuge Policy Council; and providing for an effective
8 date."

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

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* Section 1. FINDINGS. The legislature finds that

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(1) state policy supports the recommendation to the United
12 States Congress by the Secretary of the United States Department of the
13 Interior to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge
14 to oil and gas exploration, development, and production;

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(2) the long term effects that Congressional action will have on
16 the citizens of Alaska requires that the state properly monitor the federal
17 public process through an ad hoc group established for that purpose.

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* Sec. 2. ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE POLICY COUNCIL. (a) The

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Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Policy Council is established and consists
20 of the governor, the commissioner of natural resources, one person ap-
21 pointed by the governor, the president of the senate, the chairman of the
22 senate resources committee, one person appointed by the president of the
23 senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, the chairman of the
24 house resources committee, and one person appointed by the speaker of the
25 house of representatives.

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(b) The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Policy Council shall seek to
27 achieve a consensus in the state on issues relating to the Arctic National
28 Wildlife Refuge and advocate those positions before the Congress and other
29 forum that the council considers desirable.

1 * Sec. 3. This Act is repealed June 30, 1988.

2 * Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).