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SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 159

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IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

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SIXTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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A BILL

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For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to an exemption from municipal
7 property taxation for natural resources in place; and
8 providing for an effective date."

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

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* Section 1. TEMPORARY TAX EXEMPTION. Natural resources in place,
11 including proven or unproven mineral and other deposits of valuable mate-
12 rials and timber stumpage, are exempt from property taxation by a munic-
13 ipality.

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* Sec. 2. STUDY AND REPORT. (a) The Department of Community and
15 Regional Affairs shall study and compare the potential effects of various
16 natural resource taxation options including

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(1) total exemption from municipal property taxation for natural
18 resources in place;

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(2) partial exemption from municipal property taxation for
20 natural resources in place;

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(3) no exemption from municipal property taxation for natural
22 resources in place;

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(4) total or partial exemption from municipal property taxation
24 for natural resources in place at the option of each municipality.

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(b) In conducting the study under (a) of this section, the Department
26 of Community and Regional Affairs shall consult with the Department of
27 Revenue and with the Alaska Municipal League. By January 15, 1991, the
28 Department of Community and Regional Affairs shall report to the legisla-
29 ture its findings and recommendations regarding municipal property taxation

1 of natural resources in place.

2 * Sec. 3. This Act is repealed July 1, 1991.

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