

HOUSE BILL NO. 550

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 2/19/92

Referred: Labor & Commerce, Resources, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the authority of the commissioner of the Department of Natural
2 Resources to establish water use fees or provide for the sale of water resources; and
3 providing for an effective date."

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 46.15.020(a) is amended to read:

6 (a) The commissioner shall exercise all those powers and do all those acts necessary to
7 carry out the provisions and objectives of this chapter. The commissioner may

8 (1) subject to AS 36.30 (State Procurement Code), enter into contractual
9 agreements necessary to carry out the provisions of this chapter including agreements with
10 federal, state, and local agencies;

11 (2) apply for, accept, administer, and expend grants, gifts, and loans from the
12 federal government and any other public or private sources for the purposes of this chapter, and
13 adopt procedures and do acts not otherwise restricted by law which are necessary to qualify the
14 state to receive grants, gifts, and loans;

1 (3) establish a division of water in the Department of Natural Resources and
2 assign to that division the responsibility for carrying out the provisions of this chapter;

3 (4) notwithstanding any other provision of law, establish, by regulation, in
4 appropriate circumstances, a water use fee or provide for the sale of water resources.

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