

SENATE BILL NO. 415

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SEVENTEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: Resources

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act to prohibit the use of helicopters in state parks and state recreation areas."

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 41.21 is amended by adding a new section to read:

4 Sec. 41.21.023. HELICOPTERS PROHIBITED. Notwithstanding any other provision of
5 this chapter and except as provided in this section, use of a helicopter within a state park or a
6 state recreation area is prohibited. This section does not apply to the use of a helicopter within
7 a state park or state recreation area for

8 (1) research activities authorized by the director of the division of parks and
9 outdoor recreation;

10 (2) park or recreation area related management purposes by the state;

11 (3) bona fide search and rescue activities.

12 * **Sec. 2.** AS 41.21.167(b) is amended to read:

13 (b) The regulations adopted under AS 41.21.165 must [SHALL] recognize that the
14 current practice of traditional subsistence and recreational activities includes the use of small

- 1 outboard motors and snow machines. Reasonable access by aircraft, except helicopters, for
- 2 recreational purposes shall be permitted.