

SENATE BILL NO. 159

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

EIGHTEENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: RESOURCES

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act prohibiting the commissioner of natural resources from classifying state
2 land, water, or land and water so that mining, mineral entry and location,
3 mineral prospecting, and mineral leasing are precluded or are designated an
4 incompatible use without an act of the legislature if the area involved contains
5 more than 640 acres except in certain situations; and providing for an effective
6 date."

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

8 * Section 1. AS 38.05.300(a) is amended to read:

9 (a) The commissioner shall classify for surface use land in areas considered
10 necessary and proper. This section does not prevent reclassification of land where the
11 public interest warrants reclassification, nor does it preclude multiple purpose use of
12 land whenever different uses are compatible. If the area involved contains more
13 than 640 acres, state [STATE] land, water, or land and water area may not, except

1 by act of the state legislature, (1) be closed to multiple purpose use, or (2) be
2 otherwise classified by the commissioner so that mining, mineral entry or location,
3 mineral prospecting, or mineral leasing is precluded or is designated an
4 incompatible use, except when the classification is necessary for a land disposal
5 or is for the development of utility or transportation corridors or projects or
6 similar projects or infrastructure [IF THE AREA INVOLVED CONTAINS MORE
7 THAN 640 ACRES].

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