

HB 748

HOUSE RESOURCES COMMITTEE WORK SHEET

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TITLE Hatcher Pass

SPONSOR Beine FURTHER REFERRALS

Judiciary  
Finance

This Bill If Enacted Would:

When Bill Considered by RA Committee: ~~3-13-74~~ Public Hearing on 3-21-74

Action Taken by Committee:

Amendments: Amended to Provide That:

Witnesses Testifying Before Committee: (summary of testimony)

Rep. Beine - approx 107,000 acres - mountain area  
very accessible - main tourist area - historical mines all over  
many mines open shafts, various hazards - People left  
food supplies, equipment, fraudulent claims - Not to be mined  
eco. opportunity - In favor of multiple purpose area - A model  
bill in sec. 9 sec. - Possible main ski area  
Ed Smith - Director of Div. of Parks - doesn't provide suff  
protection to mineral lands - 211,000 acres  
Phil Hedworth - Anson Mining Co  
Walter Murray - Dangerous exposure - 2 areas  
established this way - Crown on area they own - 13  
No special auth. for purchase  
Just leave out eminent domain

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Representative Joe MC Gill  
House Resource Committee

Dear Sir:

I attended the meeting March 30th in Palmer and Each of us had a chanch to say some thing at the meeting. ther Ted Smith met with the chamber of Commerce to day at a luncheon meeting I attended that meeting to and Ted Smith made allowances for the mining and grazing but wanted to faze out the private owner and any one who might want to farm or build homes in some of this area.

Dr. Dearborn from the Expermintation station said a lot of this area could be farmed and ideal for many homes to be built on. I can vouch for this since I came from the farm and I have walked from the little Susitna Bridge to moose Creek and all this area I walked is suitable for farming, and home building, gardens.etc.

To set this area aside which runs 30 miles across and 15 miles going North which contains 200,000 acres or more for just a Park or recreation is rediclous, and to squeeze out the little farmer and home builder isn't fair to these people and not fair to the private land owner in this area.

I urge you to kill this bill before Ted Smith must roomes it out it to some thing that we will be sorry for later on and which will cripple or shut off future development.

It would cripple our Mat-Sue Borrough in selecting land they desperately kneed to sell to survive and to stop our tax base wouldn't be fair either.

Thank you for you'r prompt attention on HB 748 and SB 436. I have lived in Palmer since 1950 and have seen a lot of growth in this area.

Sincerely  
Floyd C. Beal

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