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AN ACT

Relating to school lands; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 38.05.030 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(e) The sale, lease or other disposal of school lands under the jurisdiction of the department shall be made by the commissioner in accordance with the provisions of this chapter. However, disposal of school lands under this subsection, other than disposal by lease for a term of years, shall be made only for sites for school facilities or for public park and public recreational purposes. School lands may be exchanged for (1) state lands, (2) vacant, unappropriated and unreserved public lands and (3) lands owned by a city, borough or other public entity. In the case of unequal values, cash may be used to equalize land values. When the department determines that it is in the best interest of the state to dispose of the school lands located within Section 16 and 36 in an organized borough or city of any class, the borough or city is authorized, and has preference for six months after notice, to acquire the land at the appraised value by purchase or exchange of land acceptable to the department. No sale, lease, exchange or other disposal of school lands may be made without the approval of the State Board of Education.

* Sec. 2. AS 38.05.070(c) is amended to read:

(c) A lease may be issued for a period up to 55 years, if it appears to be in the best interests of the state and if the commissioner approves. If the commissioner determines that the land or a part of it which is the subject of a grazing lease is not being used for the purpose issued, the lease may be declared void. However, a nonrenewable lease for school lands may be issued for a

period not to exceed 99 years.

* Sec. 3. The provisions of AS 38.05.030(e) relating to the preference rights of a city or organized borough do not apply to land which, on the effective date of this Act, is being advertised for sale, lease or other disposal.

* Sec. 4. The provisions relating to the leasing of school lands in AS 38.05.070(c) apply to school lands which, on the effective date of this Act, are being advertised for sale, lease or other disposal. Successful bidders on these lands can elect to have a 99 year nonrenewable lease, if the commissioner approves.

* Sec. 5. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without approval.