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AN ACT

Relating to a special account for trail staking and shelter construction and maintenance.

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

* Section 1. INTENT. The intent of this Act is to provide funds for trail staking and shelter construction and maintenance projects in sparsely populated areas where the interests of safety require their establishment for the protection of traveling citizens of the state.

* Sec. 2. AS 43.40.010(g) is amended to read:

(g) The proceeds of the revenue from the tax on all motor fuels, except as provided in (e), (f), and (j) of this section, shall be deposited in a special highway fuel tax account in the state general fund. The legislature may appropriate funds from it for expenditure by the Department of Public Works directly or as matched with available federal-aid highway money for maintenance of highways, construction of highway projects and ferries included in the program provided for in AS 19.10.150, including approaches, appurtenances and related facilities and acquisition of rights-of-way or easements, and other highway costs including surveys, administration, and related matters. All departments of the state government authorized to spend funds collected from taxes imposed by secs. 10 - 100 of this chapter shall perform, when feasible, all construction or reconstruction projects by contract after the projects have been advertised for competitive bids, except that, when feasible, arrangements shall be made with political subdivisions to carry out the construction or reconstruction projects. If it is not feasible for the work to be performed by state engineering forces, the commissioner of public works may contract on a professional basis with private engineering firms for road design, bridge design, and services in connection

with surveys. If more than one private engineering firm is available for the work the contracts shall be entered into on a negotiated basis.

* Sec. 3. AS 43.40.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(j) The proceeds from the tax on motor fuel used in snow vehicles and, unless a tax refund is applied for under sec. 40 of this chapter, other internal combustion engines not used in or in conjunction with a motor vehicle licensed to be operated on public ways shall be deposited in a special nonpublic highway use account in the general fund. The legislature may appropriate from this account to the Department of Highways for trail staking and shelter construction and maintenance.

* Sec. 4. AS 43.40.030(a) is amended to read:

(a) Except as specified in sec. 10(j) of this chapter, a person who uses motor fuel to operate an internal combustion engine is entitled to a refund of six cents a gallon if

(1) the tax on the motor fuel has been paid;

(2) the motor fuel is not aviation fuel or motor fuel used in an engine to propel a boat or watercraft; and

(3) the internal combustion engine is not used in or in conjunction with a motor vehicle licensed to be operated on public ways.