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AN ACT

Creating the Alaska Conservation Action Corps.

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

* Section 1. AS 41.20 is amended by adding new sections to read:

ARTICLE 11. ALASKA CONSERVATION ACTION CORPS.

Sec. 41.20.385. DECLARATION OF PURPOSE. The purpose of secs. 385 - 405 of this chapter is to provide avenues of action for youth in the state interested in the preservation of a healthy environment by establishing a volunteer corps to teach and practice conservation on all levels of activities which are environment related. The aim is to foster and supplement programs on the local and state level and provide some of the manpower needed to successfully accomplish the goal of a healthy and pleasant environment in which to live.

Sec. 41.20.390. CORPS. There is created in the parks and recreation division, Department of Natural Resources, the Alaska Conservation Action Corps.

Sec. 41.20.395. ACTIVITIES OF CORPS. The corps may be assigned

(1) to provide staff services for public agencies involved in planning for the future of our environment;

(2) tasks of cleaning litter from city streets, highways, local parks, neighborhoods, beaches, national forests, rivers, creeks, state and national parks on a continuing basis;

(3) to participate in neighborhood improvement programs including the creation of neighborhood parks and playgrounds, supplementing local government efforts on a voluntary basis on request;

(4) to fire prevention activities in forest lands, including the cleaning of brush and deadfalls and the construction and maintenance of fire trails and fire-breaks and firefighting in time of need;

(5) the task of building and maintaining hiking and riding trails and campsites, improving wildlife habitats and protection of wildlife refuges and wilderness areas under supervision of the Department of Fish and Game;

(6) to participate in drainage and erosion control improvements on public lands and the reforestation of fire-devastated areas;

(7) the task of conducting conservation summer camp programs for youths to learn and practice conservation skills;

(8) monitoring duties in areas of environmental concern where control and enforcement are maintained such as the monitoring of air and water pollution levels or checking on how well developers are meeting subdivision regulations.

Sec. 41.20.400. COMPENSATION. (a) Part-time corps members shall be paid on an hourly basis, to be determined by the commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources.

(b) Compensation for corps members who are involved in continuous service in an away-from-home situation shall be set on a weekly or monthly basis to be determined by the commissioner of the Department of Natural Resources.

Sec. 41.20.405. RESTRICTIONS. AS 23.10.325 - 23.10.-370 do not apply to the provisions of secs. 385 - 400 of this chapter.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect upon certification by the commissioner of natural resources to the governor that appropriated federal funds are available under P.L. 91-378, or other federal law, to pay compensation to corps members.