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AN ACT

Relating to land to be conveyed to the state in trust for future cities under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act; and providing for an effective date.

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

* Section 1. AS 44.47 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 44.47.150. VILLAGE LAND CONVEYED IN TRUST. (a) The commissioner of the Department of Community and Regional Affairs is designated to accept, administer, and dispose of land conveyed to the state in trust by village corporations under sec. 14(c)(3) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (P.L. 92-203, 85 Stat. 703) for the purposes specified in that section.

(b) Transfer of land by sale, lease, right-of-way, easement, or permit, including transfer of surface resources, may be made by the commissioner only after approval of an appropriate village entity such as the traditional council, a village meeting, or a village referendum. Such approval shall be by resolution filed with the department.

(c) Within one complete state fiscal year after the incorporation of a municipality in the village or of a municipality which includes all or part of the village, land acquired under this section shall be conveyed without cost to the municipality, and the municipality shall succeed to all the entrusted interest in the land.

(d) Separate accounts shall be maintained in the name of each village for the land, including the revenues from the land, acquired from each village corporation under this section, and within 90 days of the close of each state fiscal year a statement of the account for each municipality shall be prepared by the commissioner and be made available

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to the village and to the public upon request.

(e) Upon the conveyance of land to a municipality under this section, the commissioner shall account to the municipality for all profits including interest from the land, and the municipality may then request that the governor submit a request to the legislature for an appropriation for the amount due it.

(f) No title or interest to lands acquired by the department under this section may be acquired by adverse possession or prescription.

(g) For the purposes of this chapter, the term municipality includes only first and second class cities incorporated under the laws of the state.

* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.070(c).