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AN ACT

Creating the Alaska youth hostel system.

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 12. YOUTH HOSTEL SYSTEM.

Sec. 41.20.410. CREATION. There is established the Alaska youth hostel system administered by the division of parks, Department of Natural Resources.

Sec. 41.20.420. DUTIES. The division shall

(1) after consultation with community organizations or individuals and after maximum utilization of existing local effort, plan and facilitate the implementation of a statewide system of youth hostel facilities;

(2) administer a program of grants to eligible nonprofit corporations, municipalities, and organizations for construction, maintenance, and operation of youth hostels;

(3) cooperate and consult with national or international organizations established for the purpose of establishing or regulating youth hostel facilities and follow, where appropriate, the specific guidelines established by the American Youth Hostel Association and the International Youth Hostel Association;

(4) adopt, in accordance with the Administrative Procedure Act (AS 44.62), regulations governing the establishment and administration of youth hostel facilities.

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Sec. 41.20.430. HOSTEL LOCATION. In developing the statewide system of Alaska youth hostels, the division shall, within the limits of available funding, and after receiving the recommendations of the coordinator of the Alaska youth hostel program, establish at least one youth hostel in each of the five following major regions of the state: arctic, southcentral, interior, southwestern, and southeastern. Hostel facilities shall be located, when possible, within major population areas within those regions. Other hostels may be established within the five regions as funding permits.

Sec. 41.20.440. HOSTEL FACILITY. Each youth hostel facility shall be equipped with suitable toilet and kitchen facilities. Each facility shall be supervised under regulations adopted by the division of parks.

Sec. 41.20.450. ALASKA YOUTH HOSTEL PROGRAM. The director of the division of parks shall designate a member of his staff as coordinator of the Alaska youth hostel program. The coordinator shall

(1) recommend to the division of parks locations for the construction of youth hostels;

(2) advise the division on use policy for the Alaska youth hostel system;

(3) render other assistance considered necessary and appropriate by the division;

(4) establish criteria for the grant programs authorized under sec. 420(2) of this chapter and have approval authority for grants made under sec. 420(2) of this chapter.