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**AN ACT**

Relating to avalanche warning and control systems; and providing for an effective date.

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

THE ACT FOLLOWS ON PAGE 1, LINE 9

Approved by the Governor: June 30, 1980  
Actual Effective Date: July 1, 1980

AN ACT

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and providing for an effective date.

\* Section 1. AS 18 is amended by adding a new chapter to read:

CHAPTER 76. ALASKA AVALANCHE WARNING SYSTEM.

Sec. 18.76.010. PARTICIPATION IN STATEWIDE AVALANCHE WARNING SYSTEM. The Department of Public Safety, acting in cooperation with a municipality or with an agency of the federal government, shall participate in the development and implementation of a statewide avalanche warning system and shall represent the state in the operation of that system. The statewide system shall

(1) establish and maintain a service center and primary and supplementary field stations to gather information and data concerning ground weather conditions, snow pack, and avalanche activity;

(2) forecast snow avalanche conditions throughout the state;

(3) coordinate a public awareness program on avalanche danger;

(4) catalog a comprehensive atlas of avalanche paths and slide occurrences; and

(5) assist local governments and state agencies in identifying hazardous avalanche zones and in developing snow avalanche zoning regulations.

\* Sec. 2. AS 19.05.030 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(7) develop and implement an avalanche control plan to

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1 protect persons who use public highways.

2 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect immediately in accordance with AS 01.10.-  
3 070(c).