

SENATE BILL NO. 114

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Referred: Resources, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act creating the Holitna River Basin Range."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 16.20 is amended by adding new sections to article 4 to read:

4 **Sec. 16.20.365. Purpose of Holitna River Basin Range.** The purpose of
5 AS 16.20.365 - 16.20.375 is to establish the area described in AS 16.20.375 as the
6 Holitna River Basin Range. The primary purposes of the Holitna River Basin Range
7 are to maintain, improve, and enhance moose and fish populations and habitat and
8 other wildlife resources of the area through active management, and to perpetuate
9 public multiple use of the area, including fishing, grazing, forest management,
10 hunting, trapping, mineral, coal, and oil and gas entry and development, and other
11 forms of public use of public land not incompatible with the purpose stated in this
12 section.

13 **Sec. 16.20.370. Management responsibility for Holitna River Basin Range.**

14 (a) The Department of Fish and Game is responsible for the management of fish and
15 game resources on the state land and water described in AS 16.20.375, consistent with

1 the purposes of AS 16.20.365 - 16.20.375.

2 (b) Management of the surface and subsurface estate within the areas
3 described in AS 16.20.375 is the responsibility of the Department of Natural
4 Resources. After adequate public hearings, the Department of Natural Resources shall
5 develop and adopt a management plan for the Holitna River Basin Range that reflects
6 the concurrence of the Department of Fish and Game. The management plan shall be
7 adopted, implemented, and maintained within three years after the establishment of the
8 Holitna River Basin Range. The management plan may be revised, if necessary and
9 appropriate, under the same procedure followed for initial adoption.

10 (c) The Department of Natural Resources may, after consultation with the
11 Department of Fish and Game, adopt regulations governing the public use of the
12 Holitna River Basin Range. The regulations must include provisions for multiple use,
13 as defined in AS 38.04.910, and for public multiple uses listed in AS 16.20.365.
14 Regulations adopted for the Holitna River Basin Range do not apply to private land
15 within the boundaries of the areas described in AS 16.20.375.

16 (d) The Holitna River Basin Range shall be managed to sustain fish and
17 wildlife resources in perpetuity, according to the principle of sustained yield.

18 (e) The commissioner of natural resources may acquire in the name of the
19 state, by negotiated purchase only, without an option of first purchase, title or interest
20 in real property lying within the boundaries of the Holitna River Basin Range.

21 **Sec. 16.20.375. Holitna River Basin Range established.** All state-owned
22 surface and subsurface land and water within the parcels described in this subsection
23 are established as the Holitna River Basin Range:

24 (1) Township 4 North, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian

25 Sections 2 - 5

26 Sections 9 - 10;

27 (2) Township 4 North, Range 51 West, Seward Meridian

28 Sections 1 - 6

29 Sections 9 - 12;

30 (3) Township 4 North, Range 52 West, Seward Meridian

31 Sections 1 - 18

- 1 Sections 20 - 29
- 2 Sections 32 - 36;
- 3 (4) Township 4 North, Range 53 West, Seward Meridian;
- 4 (5) Township 5 North, Range 37 West, Seward Meridian
- 5 Sections 4 - 6
- 6 Sections 8 - 9;
- 7 (6) Township 5 North, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian
- 8 Sections 1 - 5
- 9 Sections 7 - 17
- 10 Sections 20 - 28
- 11 Sections 35 - 36;
- 12 (7) Township 5 North, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian
- 13 Sections 1 - 24
- 14 Sections 28 - 33;
- 15 (8) Township 5 North, Range 49 West, Seward Meridian
- 16 Sections 1 - 30
- 17 Sections 34 - 36;
- 18 (9) Township 5 North, Range 50 - 54 West, Seward Meridian;
- 19 (10) Township 6 North, Range 35 West, Seward Meridian
- 20 Sections 1 - 3
- 21 Sections 10 - 12;
- 22 (11) Township 6 North, Range 36 West, Seward Meridian
- 23 Sections 1 - 15
- 24 Section 18
- 25 Sections 22 - 26
- 26 Sections 35 - 36;
- 27 (12) Township 6 North, Range 38 West, Seward Meridian
- 28 Sections 1 - 18
- 29 Sections 23 - 24;
- 30 (13) Township 6 North, Range 39 West, Seward Meridian
- 31 Sections 6 - 7

- 1 Sections 18 - 19;
- 2 (14) Township 6 North, Range 42 West, Seward Meridian
- 3 Sections 1 - 3
- 4 Section 11;
- 5 (15) Township 6 North, Range 43 West, Seward Meridian
- 6 Sections 5 - 6;
- 7 (16) Township 6 North, Range 44 West, Seward Meridian
- 8 Sections 2 - 6;
- 9 (17) Township 6 North, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian
- 10 Section 13
- 11 Sections 24 - 26
- 12 Sections 34 - 36;
- 13 (18) Township 6 North, Ranges 48 - 55 West, Seward Meridian;
- 14 (19) Township 7 North, Range 35 West, Seward Meridian
- 15 Section 1
- 16 Sections 12 - 13
- 17 Sections 24 - 25
- 18 Section 36;
- 19 (20) Township 7 North, Ranges 36 - 38 West, Seward Meridian;
- 20 (21) Township 7 North, Range 39 West, Seward Meridian
- 21 Sections 1 - 22
- 22 Sections 30 - 31;
- 23 (22) Township 7 North, Range 40 West, Seward Meridian
- 24 Sections 1 - 18
- 25 Sections 22 - 24;
- 26 (23) Township 7 North, Range 41 West, Seward Meridian
- 27 Sections 1 - 14
- 28 Sections 17 - 19;
- 29 (24) Township 7 North, Range 42 West, Seward Meridian
- 30 Sections 1 - 18
- 31 Sections 20 - 27

- 1 Sections 34 - 36;
- 2 (25) Township 7 North, Range 43 West, Seward Meridian
- 3 Sections 1 - 26
- 4 Sections 28 - 33;
- 5 (26) Township 7 North, Range 44 West, Seward Meridian;
- 6 (27) Township 7 North, Range 45 West, Seward Meridian
- 7 Sections 5 - 7
- 8 Sections 18 - 19
- 9 Sections 30;
- 10 (28) Township 7 North, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian
- 11 Section 1
- 12 Sections 12 - 13;
- 13 (29) Township 7 North, Ranges 48 - 54 West, Seward Meridian;
- 14 (30) Township 7 North, Range 55 West, Seward Meridian
- 15 Sections 5 - 8
- 16 Sections 17 - 20
- 17 Sections 29 - 35;
- 18 (31) Township 8 North, Range 34 West, Seward Meridian
- 19 Section 24;
- 20 (32) Township 8 North, Range 35 West, Seward Meridian
- 21 Sections 1 - 5
- 22 Sections 7 - 30
- 23 Sections 35 - 36;
- 24 (33) Township 8 North, Ranges 36 - 44 West, Seward Meridian;
- 25 (34) Township 8 North, Range 45 West, Seward Meridian
- 26 Sections 1 - 24
- 27 Sections 26 - 32;
- 28 (35) Township 8 North, Range 46 West, Seward Meridian
- 29 Sections 1 - 26;
- 30 (36) Township 8 North, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian
- 31 Sections 1 - 30

- 1 Sections 35 - 36;
- 2 (37) Township 8 North, Ranges 48 - 53 West, Seward Meridian;
- 3 (38) Township 8 North, Range 54 West, Seward Meridian
- 4 Sections 5 - 8
- 5 Sections 13 - 36;
- 6 (39) Township 8 North, Range 55 West, Seward Meridian
- 7 Sections 17 - 20
- 8 Sections 29 - 32;
- 9 (40) Township 9 North, Range 30 West, Seward Meridian
- 10 Sections 2 - 6;
- 11 (41) Township 9 North, Range 32 West, Seward Meridian
- 12 Sections 1 - 4
- 13 Sections 10 - 15
- 14 Sections 22 - 24;
- 15 (42) Township 9 North, Range 33 West, Seward Meridian
- 16 Sections 1 - 30
- 17 Sections 32 - 36;
- 18 (43) Township 9 North, Ranges 34 - 52 West, Seward Meridian;
- 19 (44) Township 9 North, Range 53 West, Seward Meridian
- 20 Sections 2 - 11
- 21 Sections 14 - 23
- 22 Sections 26 - 35;
- 23 (45) Township 10 North, Range 30 West, Seward Meridian
- 24 Sections 7 - 36;
- 25 (46) Township 10 North, Ranges 31 - 52 West, Seward Meridian;
- 26 (47) Township 10 North, Range 53 West, Seward Meridian
- 27 Sections 19 - 21
- 28 Sections 26 - 35;
- 29 (48) Township 11 North, Range 31 West, Seward Meridian
- 30 Section 36;
- 31 (49) Township 11 North, Range 32 West, Seward Meridian

1 Section 13
2 Sections 24 - 26
3 Sections 31 - 36;
4 (50) Township 11 North, Range 33 West, Seward Meridian
5 Sections 1 - 5
6 Sections 8 - 36;
7 (51) Township 11 North, Ranges 34 - 50 West, Seward Meridian;
8 (52) Township 11 North, Range 51 West, Seward Meridian
9 Sections 1 - 4
10 Sections 7 - 36;
11 (53) Township 11 North, Range 52 West, Seward Meridian
12 Sections 6 - 8
13 Sections 17 - 20
14 Sections 29 - 34;
15 (54) Township 12 North, Range 37 West, Seward Meridian
16 Sections 22 - 27
17 Sections 31 - 36;
18 (55) Township 12 North, Range 38 West, Seward Meridian
19 Sections 1 - 4
20 Sections 9 - 16
21 Sections 19 - 36;
22 (56) Township 12 North, Ranges 39 - 49 West, Seward Meridian;
23 (57) Township 12 North, Range 50 West, Seward Meridian
24 Sections 3 - 10
25 Sections 15 - 22
26 Sections 27 - 36;
27 (58) Township 12 North, Range 51 West, Seward Meridian
28 Sections 33 - 34;
29 (59) Township 13 North, Range 37 West, Seward Meridian
30 Section 1
31 Section 12;

- 1 (60) Township 13 North, Ranges 38 - 48 West, Seward Meridian;
 2 (61) Township 13 North, Range 49 West, Seward Meridian
 3 Sections 6 - 8
 4 Sections 15 - 36;
 5 (62) Township 13 North, Range 50 West, Seward Meridian
 6 Sections 30 - 31;
 7 (63) Township 14 North, Range 39 West, Seward Meridian
 8 Sections 1 - 2
 9 Sections 10 - 15
 10 Sections 20 - 36;
 11 (64) Township 14 North, Ranges 40 - 47 West, Seward Meridian;
 12 (65) Township 14 North, Range 48 West, Seward Meridian
 13 Sections 1 - 2
 14 Sections 10 - 36;
 15 (66) Township 14 North, Range 49 West, Seward Meridian
 16 Sections 18 - 19
 17 Sections 30 - 31;
 18 (67) Township 15 North, Range 39 West, Seward Meridian
 19 Sections 1 - 3
 20 Sections 10 - 13
 21 Sections 24 - 25
 22 Section 36;
 23 (68) Township 15 North, Ranges 40 - 46 West, Seward Meridian;
 24 (69) Township 15 North, Range 47 West, Seward Meridian
 25 Section 7
 26 Sections 17 - 36;
 27 (70) Township 16 North, Range 39 West, Seward Meridian
 28 Sections 13 - 15
 29 Sections 22 - 27
 30 Sections 34 - 36;
 31 (71) Township 16 North, Range 40 West, Seward Meridian

- 1 Sections 1 - 4
- 2 Sections 9 - 36;
- 3 (72) Township 16 North, Ranges 41 - 45 West, Seward Meridian;
- 4 (73) Township 17 North, Range 40 West, Seward Meridian
- 5 Sections 13 - 14
- 6 Sections 21 - 28
- 7 Sections 33 - 36;
- 8 (74) Township 17 North, Ranges 41 - 42 West, Seward Meridian;
- 9 (75) Township 17 North, Range 43 West, Seward Meridian
- 10 Sections 1 - 3
- 11 Sections 10 - 15
- 12 Sections 22 - 25
- 13 Section 36;
- 14 (76) Township 17 North, Range 44 West, Seward Meridian
- 15 Sections 3 - 10
- 16 Sections 13 - 36;
- 17 (77) Township 18 North, Range 40 West, Seward Meridian
- 18 Sections 13 - 14
- 19 Sections 21 - 28
- 20 Sections 33 - 36;
- 21 (78) Township 18 North, Range 41 West, Seward Meridian
- 22 Sections 1 - 5
- 23 Sections 8 - 36;
- 24 (79) Township 18 North, Range 42 West, Seward Meridian
- 25 Sections 4 - 36;
- 26 (80) Township 18 North, Range 43 West, Seward Meridian
- 27 Section 31
- 28 Section 36;
- 29 (81) Township 18 North, Range 44 West, Seward Meridian
- 30 Sections 30 - 31;
- 31 (82) Township 19 North, Range 41 West, Seward Meridian

- 1 Sections 22 - 28
- 2 Sections 33 - 36;
- 3 (83) Township 19 North, Range 42 West, Seward Meridian
- 4 Sections 4 - 36;
- 5 (84) Township 19 North, Range 43 West, Seward Meridian
- 6 Section 1
- 7 Sections 3 - 4
- 8 Sections 9 - 23
- 9 Sections 26 - 30
- 10 Sections 33 - 34.