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To amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to benefit Alaska natives and rural residents, and for other purposes.

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Mr. MURKOWSKI (for himself and Mr. STEVENS) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. AUTOMATIC LAND BANK PROTECTION.**

4 (a) LANDS RECEIVED IN EXCHANGE FROM CERTAIN
5 FEDERAL AGENCIES.—The matter preceding clause (i) of
6 section 907(d)(1)(A) of the Alaska National Interest
7 Lands Conservation Act (43 U.S.C. 1636(d)(1)(A)) is
8 amended by inserting “or conveyed to a Native Corpora-

1 tion pursuant to an exchange authorized by section 22(f)
2 of Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act or section
3 1302(h) of this Act or other applicable law” after “Settle-
4 ment Trust”.

5 (b) LANDS EXCHANGED AMONG NATIVE CORPORA-
6 TIONS.—Section 907(d)(2)(B) of such Act (43 U.S.C.
7 1636(d)(2)) is amended by striking “and” at the end of
8 clause (ii), by striking the period at the end of clause (iii)
9 and inserting “; and”, and by adding at the end the follow-
10 ing:

11 “(iv) lands or interest in lands shall not be con-
12 sidered developed or leased or sold to a third party
13 as a result of an exchange or conveyance of such
14 land or interest in land between or among Native
15 Corporations and trusts, partnerships, corporations,
16 or joint ventures, whose beneficiaries, partners,
17 shareholders, or joint venturers are Native Corpora-
18 tions.”.

19 (c) ACTIONS BY TRUSTEE SERVING PURSUANT TO
20 AGREEMENT OF NATIVE CORPORATIONS.—Section
21 907(d)(3)(B) of such Act (43 U.S.C. 1636(d)(3)(B)) is
22 amended by striking “or” at the end of clause (i), by strik-
23 ing the period at the end of clause (ii) and inserting “;
24 or”, and by adding at the end the following:

1 “(iii) to actions by any trustee whose right,
2 title, or interest in land or interests in land arises
3 pursuant to an agreement or among Native Corpora-
4 tions and trusts, partnerships, or joint ventures
5 whose beneficiaries, partners, shareholders, or joint
6 venturers are Native Corporations.”.

7 **SEC. 2. RETAINED MINERAL ESTATE.**

8 Section 12(c)(4) of the Alaska Native Claims Settle-
9 ment Act (43 U.S.C. 1611(c)(4)) is amended—

10 (1) by redesignating subparagraphs (C) and
11 (D) as subparagraphs (E) and (F), respectively, and
12 by inserting after subparagraph (B) the following
13 new subparagraphs:

14 “(C) Where such public lands are surrounded
15 by or contiguous to subsurface lands obtained by a
16 Regional Corporation under subsections (a) or (b),
17 the Corporation may, upon request, have such public
18 land conveyed to it.

19 “(D)(i) A Regional Corporation which elects to
20 obtain public lands under subparagraph (C) shall be
21 limited to a total of not more than 12,000 acres. Se-
22 lection by a Regional Corporation of in lieu surface
23 acres under subparagraph (E) pursuant to an elec-
24 tion under subparagraph (C) shall not be made from
25 any lands within a conservation system unit (as that

1 term is defined by section 102(4) of the Alaska Na-
 2 tional Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
 3 3102(4)).

4 “(ii) An election to obtain the public lands de-
 5 scribed in subparagraph (A), (B), or (C) shall in-
 6 clude all available parcels within the township in
 7 which the public lands are located.

8 “(iii) For purposes of this subparagraph and
 9 subparagraph (C), the term ‘Regional Corporation’
 10 shall refer only to Doyon, Limited.”; and

11 (2) in subparagraph (E) (as so redesignated),
 12 by striking “(A) or (B)” and inserting “(A), (B), or
 13 (C)”.

14 **SEC. 3. CLARIFICATION ON TREATMENT OF BONDS FROM A**
 15 **NATIVE CORPORATION.**

16 Section 29(c) of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement
 17 Act (43 U.S.C. 1626(c)) is amended—

18 (1) in subparagraph (3)(A), by inserting “and
 19 on bonds received from a Native Corporation” after
 20 “from a Native Corporation”; and

21 (2) in subparagraph (3)(B), by inserting “or
 22 bonds issued by a Native Corporation which Bonds
 23 shall be subject to the protection of section 7(h)
 24 until voluntarily and expressly sold or pledged by the

1 shareholder subsequent to the date of distribution”
2 before the semicolon.

3 **SEC. 4. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO PUBLIC LAW 102-415.**

4 Section 20 of the Alaska Land Status Technical Cor-
5 rections Act of 1992 (106 Stat. 2129) is amended by add-
6 ing at the end the following new subsection:

7 “(h) Establishment of the account under subsection
8 (b) and conveyance of land under subsection (c), if any,
9 shall be treated as though 3,520 acres of land had been
10 conveyed to Gold Creek under section 14(h)(2) of the
11 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act for which rights to
12 in-lieu subsurface estate are hereby provided to CIRI.
13 Within 1 year from the date of enactment of this sub-
14 section, CIRI shall select 3,520 acres of land from the
15 area designated for in-lieu selection by paragraph
16 I.B.(2)(b) of the document identified in section 12(b) of
17 the Act of January 2, 1976 (43 U.S.C. 1611 note).”.

18 **SEC. 5. CALISTA CORPORATION LAND EXCHANGE.**

19 (a) CONGRESSIONAL FINDINGS.—Congress finds and
20 declares that—

21 (1) the land exchange authorized by section
22 8126 of Public Law 102-172 should be implemented
23 without further delay;

24 (2) the Calista Corporation, the Native Re-
25 gional Corporation organized under the authority of

1 the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA)
2 for the Yupik Eskimos of Southwestern Alaska,
3 which includes the entire Yukon Delta National
4 Wildlife Refuge—

5 (A) has responsibilities provided for by the
6 Settlement Act to help address social, cultural,
7 economic, health, subsistence, and related issues
8 within the Region and among its villages, in-
9 cluding the viability of the villages themselves,
10 many of which are remote and isolated; and

11 (B) has been unable to fully carry out such
12 responsibilities, and the implementation of this
13 exchange is essential to helping Calista utilize
14 its assets to carry out those responsibilities to
15 realize the benefits of ANCSA;

16 (3) the parties to the exchange have been un-
17 able to reach agreement on the valuation of the
18 lands and interests in lands to be conveyed to the
19 United States under section 8126 of Public Law
20 102–171; and

21 (4) in light of the foregoing, it is appropriate
22 and necessary in this unique situation that Congress
23 authorize and direct the implementation of this ex-
24 change as set forth in this section in furtherance of
25 the purposes and underlying goals of the Alaska Na-

1 tive Claims Settlement Act and the Alaska National
2 Interest Lands Conservation Act.

3 (b) LAND EXCHANGE IMPLEMENTATION.—Section
4 8126(a) of Public Law 102–172 (105 Stat. 1206) is
5 amended—

6 (1) by inserting “(1)” after “(a)”;

7 (2) by striking “October 1, 1996” and inserting
8 “October 1, 2002”;

9 (3) by inserting after “October 28, 1991” the
10 following: “(hereinafter referred to as ‘CCRD’) and
11 in the document entitled, ‘The Calista Conveyance
12 and Relinquishment Document Addendum’, dated
13 September 15, 1996 (hereinafter referred to as
14 ‘CCRD Addendum’)”;

15 (4) by striking “The value” and all that follows
16 through “*Provided*, That the” and inserting in lieu
17 thereof the following:

18 “(2) Unless prior to December 31, 1997, the
19 parties mutually agree on a value of the lands and
20 interests in lands to be exchanged as contained in
21 the CCRD and the CCRD Addendum, the aggregate
22 values of such lands and interests in lands shall be
23 established as of January 1, 1998, as provided in
24 paragraph (6) of the CCRD Addendum. The”;

1 (5) in the last sentence, by inserting a period
2 after “1642” and striking all that follows in that
3 sentence; and

4 (6) by adding at the end the following new
5 paragraph:

6 “(3) The amount credited to the property ac-
7 count is not subject to adjustment for minor changes
8 in acreage resulting from preparation or correction
9 of the land descriptions in the CCRD or CCRD Ad-
10 dendum or the exclusion of any small tracts of land
11 as a result of hazardous materials surveys.”.

12 (c) EXTENSION OF RESTRICTION ON CERTAIN PROP-
13 erty Transfers.—Section 8126(b) of Public Law 102–
14 172 (105 Stat. 1206) is amended by striking “October
15 1, 1996” and inserting “October 1, 2002”.

16 (d) EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATION.—Section 8126(c)
17 of Public Law 102–172 (105 Stat. 1207) is amended—

18 (1) by inserting “(1)” after “(c)”;

19 (2) by striking the sentence beginning “On Oc-
20 tober 1, 1996,” and inserting in lieu thereof the fol-
21 lowing: “To the extent such lands and interests have
22 not been exchanged with the United States, on Jan-
23 uary 1, 1998, the Secretary of the Treasury shall es-
24 tablish a property account on behalf of Calista Cor-
25 poration. If the parties have mutually agreed to a

1 value as provided in subsection (a)(2), the Secretary
2 of the Treasury shall credit the account accordingly.
3 In the absence of such an agreement the Secretary
4 of the Treasury shall credit the account with an
5 amount equal to 66 percent of the total amount de-
6 termined by paragraph (6) of the CCRD Addendum.
7 The account shall be available for use as provided in
8 subsection (c)(3), as follows:

9 “(A) On January 1, 1998, an amount
10 equal to one-half the amount credited pursuant
11 to this paragraph shall be available for use as
12 provided.

13 “(B) On October 1, 1998, the remaining
14 one-half of the amount credited pursuant to
15 this paragraph shall be available for use as pro-
16 vided.

17 “(2) On October 1, 2002, to the extent any por-
18 tion of the lands and interests in lands have not
19 been exchanged pursuant to subsection (a) or con-
20 veyed or relinquished to the United States pursuant
21 to paragraph (1), the account established by para-
22 graph (1) shall be credited with an amount equal
23 to any remainder of the value determined pursuant
24 to paragraph (1).”;

25 (3) by inserting “(3)” before “Subject to”;

1 (4) by striking “on or after October 1, 1996,”
2 and by inserting after “subsection (a) of this sec-
3 tion,” the following: “upon conveyance or relinquish-
4 ment of equivalent portions of the lands referenced
5 in the CCRD and the CCRD Addendum,”; and

6 (5) by adding at the end the following new
7 paragraphs:

8 “(4) Notwithstanding any other provision of
9 law, Calista Corporation or the village corporations
10 identified in the CCRD Addendum may assign, with-
11 out restriction, any or all of the account upon writ-
12 ten notification to the Secretary of the Treasury and
13 the Secretary of the Interior.

14 “(5) Calista will provide to the Bureau of Land
15 Management, Alaska State Office, appropriate docu-
16 mentation, including maps of the parcels to be ex-
17 changed to enable that office to perform the ac-
18 counting required by paragraph (1) and to forward
19 such information, if requested by Calista, to the Sec-
20 retary of the Treasury as authorized by such para-
21 graph. Minor boundary adjustments shall be made
22 between Calista and the Department to reflect the
23 acreage figures reflected in the CCRD and the
24 CCRD Addendum.

1 “(6) For the purpose of the determination of
 2 the applicability of section 7(i) of the Alaska Native
 3 Claims Settlement Act (42 U.S.C. 1606(i)) to reve-
 4 nues generated pursuant to this section, such reve-
 5 nues shall be calculated in accordance with para-
 6 graph (4) of the CCRD Addendum.”.

7 **SEC. 6. MINING CLAIMS.**

8 Paragraph (3) of section 22(c) of the Alaska Native
 9 Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1621(c)) is amended—

10 (1) by striking out “regional corporation” each
 11 place it appears and inserting in lieu thereof “Re-
 12 gional Corporation”; and

13 (2) by adding at the end the following: “The
 14 provisions of this section shall apply to Haida Cor-
 15 poration and the Haida Traditional Use Sites, which
 16 shall be treated as a Regional Corporation for the
 17 purposes of this paragraph, except that any revenues
 18 remitted to Haida Corporation under this section
 19 shall not be subject to distribution pursuant to sec-
 20 tion 7(i) of this Act.”.

21 **SEC. 7. SALE, DISPOSITION, OR OTHER USE OF COMMON**
 22 **VARIETIES OF SAND, GRAVEL, STONE, PUM-**
 23 **ICE, PEAT, CLAY, OR CINDER RESOURCES.**

24 Subsection (i) of section 7 of the Alaska Native
 25 Claims Settlement Act (42 U.S.C. 1606(i)) is amended—

1 (1) by striking “Seventy per centum” and in-
2 serting “(A) Except as provided by subparagraph
3 (B), seventy percent”; and

4 (2) by adding at the end the following:

5 “(B) In the case of the sale, disposition, or
6 other use of common varieties of sand, gravel, stone,
7 pumice, peat, clay, or cinder resources made after
8 the date of enactment of this subparagraph, the rev-
9 enues received by a Regional Corporation shall not
10 be subject to division under subparagraph (A).
11 Nothing in this subparagraph is intended to or shall
12 be construed to alter the ownership of such sand,
13 gravel, stone, pumice, peat, clay, or cinder re-
14 sources.”.

15 **SEC. 8. ESTABLISHMENT OF ADDITIONAL NATIVE COR-**
16 **PORATIONS IN SOUTHEAST ALASKA.**

17 (a) Section 16 of the Alaska Native Claims Settle-
18 ment Act, as amended (Pub. L. No. 92–203, 85 Stat. 688,
19 43 U.S.C. 1601, hereinafter referred to as “the Act”) is
20 amended by adding at the end thereof the following new
21 subsection:

22 “(e)(1) The Native residents of each of the Native
23 Villages of Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, and Wrangell,
24 Alaska, may organize as an Urban Corporation.

1 “(2) The Native residents of the Native Village of
2 Tenakee, Alaska, may organize as a Group Corporation.

3 “(3) Nothing in this subsection shall affect any exist-
4 ing entitlement to land of any Native Corporation pursu-
5 ant to this Act or any other provision of law.”

6 (b) Section 8 of the Act is amended by adding at the
7 end the following new subsection:

8 “(d) Enrollment in the additional corporations in
9 Southeast Alaska.—

10 “(1) The Secretary shall enroll to each of the
11 Urban Corporations for Haines, Ketchikan, Peters-
12 burg, or Wrangell those individual Natives who en-
13 rolled under this Act to Haines, Ketchikan, Peters-
14 burg, or Wrangell, and shall enroll to the Group
15 Corporation for Tenakee those individual Natives
16 who enrolled under this Act to Tenakee: *Provided*,
17 That nothing in this subsection shall affect existing
18 entitlement to land of any Regional Corporation pur-
19 suant to section 12(b) or section 14(h)(8) of this
20 Act.

21 “(2) Those Natives who, pursuant to paragraph
22 (1), are enrolled to an Urban Corporation for
23 Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, or Wrangell, or to a
24 Group Corporation for Tenakee, and who were en-
25 rolled as shareholders of the Regional Corporation

1 for southeast Alaska on or before March 30, 1973,
2 shall receive 100 shares of Settlement Common
3 Stock in such Urban or Group Corporation.

4 “(3) A Native who has received shares of stock
5 in the Regional Corporation for southeast Alaska
6 through inheritance from a decedent Native who
7 originally enrolled to Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg,
8 Tenakee, or Wrangell, which decedent Native was
9 not a shareholder in a Village, Group or Urban Cor-
10 poration, shall receive the identical number of shares
11 of Settlement Common Stock in the Urban Corpora-
12 tion for Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, or Wrangell,
13 or in the Group Corporation for Tenakee, as the
14 number of shares inherited by that Native from the
15 decedent Native who would have been eligible to be
16 enrolled to such urban or Group Corporation.”

17 (c) Section 7 of the Act is amended as follows:

18 (1) By adding at the end of subsection 7(j) the
19 following new sentence: “Native members of the
20 communities of Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg,
21 Tenakee, and Wrangell who become shareholders in
22 an Urban or Group Corporation for such a commu-
23 nity shall continue to be eligible to receive distribu-
24 tions under this subsection as at-large shareholders
25 of Sealaska Corporation.”

1 (2) By adding at the end of section 7 the fol-
2 lowing new subsection:

3 “(p) No provision of section 8 of the 1997 Act
4 amending the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act and
5 the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act to
6 benefit Alaska natives and rural residents, and for other
7 purposes, shall affect the ratio for determination of dis-
8 tribution of revenues among Native Corporations under
9 this section of the Act and the 1982 Section 7(i) Settle-
10 ment Agreement among the Regional Corporations or
11 among Village Corporations under section 7(j) of the
12 Act.”.

13 (d) Not later than December 31, 1998, the Secretary
14 of the Interior, in consultation with the Secretary of Agri-
15 culture, and in consultation with representatives of the
16 Urban and Group Corporations established pursuant to
17 this section, as well as Sealaska Corporation, shall submit
18 to the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Re-
19 sources and the House Committee on Resources a report
20 making recommendations to the Congress regarding lands
21 and other appropriate compensation to be provided to the
22 Urban and Group Corporations established pursuant to
23 this section, including—

24 (1) local areas of historical, cultural, and tradi-
25 tional importance to Alaska Natives from the Vil-

1 lages of Haines, Ketchikan, Petersburg, Tenakee, or
2 Wrangell, that should be conveyed to such Urban or
3 Group Corporation, together with any recommended
4 limitations or stipulations regarding the use of such
5 lands, including possible restrictions on the harvest
6 of timber from such lands; and

7 (2) such additional forms of compensation as
8 the Secretary may recommend.

9 (e) PLANNING GRANTS.—There are authorized to be
10 appropriated such sums as are necessary to provide the
11 Native Corporations for the communities of Haines,
12 Ketchikan, Petersburg, Tenakee, and Wrangell with
13 grants in the amount of \$250,000 each, to be used only
14 for planning, development and other purposes for which
15 Native Corporations are organized under this section.

16 (f) Notwithstanding any other provision of Pub. L.
17 No. 92–203, as amended, nothing in this section shall cre-
18 ate any entitlement to federal lands for an Urban or
19 Group Corporation established pursuant to this section
20 without further Congressional action.

21 **SEC. 9. ALASKA NATIVE ALLOTMENT APPLICATIONS.**

22 Section 905(a) of the Alaska National Interest Lands
23 Conservation Act (43 U.S.C. 1634(a)) is amended by add-
24 ing at the end the following:

1 “(7) Paragraph (1) of this subsection and sec-
2 tion (d) shall apply, and paragraph (5) of this sub-
3 section shall cease to apply, to an application—

4 “(A) that is open and pending on the date
5 of enactment of this paragraph,

6 “(B) if the lands described in the applica-
7 tion are in Federal ownership, and

8 “(C) if all protests which were filed by the
9 State of Alaska pursuant to paragraph (5)(B)
10 with respect to the application have been with-
11 drawn and not reasserted or are dismissed.”.

12 **SEC. 10. VISITOR SERVICES.**

13 Paragraph (1) of section 1307(b) of the Alaska Na-
14 tional Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C.
15 3197(b)) is amended—

16 (1) by striking “Native Corporation” and in-
17 serting “Native Corporations”.

18 **SEC. 11. TRAINING OF FEDERAL LAND MANAGERS.**

19 The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
20 Act (P.L. 96–487, 94 Stat. 2371) is amended as follows:

21 (1) Section 101 is amended by the addition of
22 a new subsection (e) as follows:

23 “(e) In order to comply with this Act all federal pub-
24 lic land managers in Alaska, or a region that includes
25 Alaska, shall participate in an ANILCA training class to

1 be completed within 120 days after enactment. All future
2 appointed federal public land managers in Alaska, or a
3 region containing Alaska, are required to complete the
4 aforementioned ANILCA training within 60 days of ap-
5 pointment.”.

6 **SEC. 12. SUBSISTENCE USES IN GLACIER BAY NATIONAL**
7 **PARK.**

8 The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
9 Act (P.L. 96–487, 94 Stat. 2371) is amended as follows:

10 (1) Section 202(l) is amended by adding the
11 following at the end thereof: “Subsistence uses by
12 local residents shall be permitted in the park where
13 such uses are traditional in accordance with the pro-
14 visions of Title VIII.”.

15 **SEC. 13. ACCESS RIGHTS.**

16 The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
17 Act (P.L. 96–487, 94 Stat. 2371) is amended as follows:

18 (1) Section 1105 is amended by designating the
19 existing language as subsection (a) and inserting a
20 new subsection (b) as follows:

21 “(b) Any alternative route that may be identified by
22 the head of the federal agency shall not be less economi-
23 cally feasible and prudent than the route for the system
24 being sought by the applicant.”.

1 (2) The second sentence in section 1110(a) is
2 amended by striking “area” and inserting in lieu
3 thereof: “area: *Provided*, That reasonable regulations
4 shall not include any requirements for the dem-
5 onstration of pre-existing use and: *Provided further*,
6 That the Secretary shall limit any prohibitions to
7 the smallest area practicable, to the smallest period
8 of time or both. No prohibition shall occur prior to
9 formal consultation with the State of Alaska.”.

10 (3) The last sentence of section 1110(b) is
11 amended by inserting “may include easements,
12 right-of-way, or other interests in land or permits
13 and” immediately after “such rights”.

14 (4) In the last sentence of section 1110(b),
15 strike “lands.” and insert in lieu thereof the follow-
16 ing: “lands: *Provided*, That the Secretary shall not
17 impose any unreasonable fees or charges on those
18 seeking to secure their rights under this subsection.
19 Individuals or entities possessing rights under this
20 subsection shall not be subject to the requirement of
21 sections 1104, 1105, 1106, and 1107 herein.”.

22 (5) Section 1315 is amended by adding a new
23 subparagraph “(g)” as follows:

24 “(g) Within National Forest Wilderness Areas and
25 National Forest Monument areas as designated in this

1 and subsequent Acts, the Secretary of Agriculture may
2 permit or otherwise regulate helicopter use and landings,
3 except that he shall allow for helicopter use and landings
4 in emergency situations where human life or health are
5 in danger.”.

6 **SEC. 14. USE OF CABINS AND ALLOWED USES.**

7 The Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation
8 Act (P.L. 96–487, 94 Stat. 2371) is amended as follows:

9 (1) Section 1303(a)(1)(D) is amended by strik-
10 ing “located.” and inserting in lieu thereof: the fol-
11 lowing: “located: *Provided*, That the applicant may
12 not be required to waive, forfeit, or relinquish its
13 possessory or personalty interests in a cabin or
14 structure.”.

15 (2) Section 1303(a)(2)(D) is amended by strik-
16 ing “located.” and inserting in lieu thereof: the fol-
17 lowing: “located: *Provided*, That the applicant may
18 not be required to waive, forfeit, or relinquish its
19 possessory or personalty interests in a cabin or
20 structure.”.

21 (3) Section 1303(b)(3)(D) is amended by strik-
22 ing “located.” and inserting in lieu thereof the fol-
23 lowing: “located: *Provided*, That the applicant may
24 not be required to waive, forfeit, or relinquish its

1 possessory or personalty interests in a cabin or
2 structure.”.

3 (4) Section 1303 is amended by adding a new
4 subsection (e) as follows:

5 “(e) All permits, permit renewals, or renewal or con-
6 tinuation of valid leases issued pursuant to this section
7 shall provide for repair, maintenance, and replacement ac-
8 tivities and may authorize alterations to cabins and similar
9 structure that do not constitute a significant impairment
10 of unit purposes.”.

11 (5) Section 1316(a) is amended by striking
12 “permittee.” in the last sentence and inserting in
13 lieu thereof the following: “permittee: *Provided*, That
14 structures and facilities may be allowed to stand
15 from season to season.”.

16 (6) Section 1316(a) is amended in the first sen-
17 tence by deleting “equipment” and inserting in lieu
18 thereof: “equipment, including motorized and me-
19 chanical equipment,”. (2) by striking “is most di-
20 rectly affected” and inserting “are most directly af-
21 fected.”.

22 **SEC. 15. REPORT.**

23 Within nine months after the date of enactment of
24 this Act, the Secretary of the Interior shall submit to Con-
25 gress a report which includes the following:

1 (1) LOCAL HIRE.—(A) The report shall—

2 (i) indicate the actions taken in carrying
3 out subsection (b) of section 1308 of the Alaska
4 National Interest Lands Conservation Act (16
5 U.S.C. 3198); and

6 (ii) also address the recruitment processes
7 that may restrict employees hired under sub-
8 section (a) of such section from successfully ob-
9 taining positions in the competitive service.

10 (B) The Secretary of Agriculture shall cooper-
11 ate with the Secretary of the Interior in carrying out
12 this paragraph with respect to the Forest Service.

13 (2) LOCAL CONTRACTS.—The report shall de-
14 scribe the actions of the Secretary of the Interior in
15 contracting with Alaska Native Corporations to pro-
16 vide services with respect to public lands in Alaska.

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