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To review the suitability and feasibility of recovering costs of high altitude rescues at Denali National Park and Preserve in the state of Alaska, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 24, 1999

Mr. MURKOWSKI 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 That no later than nine months after the enactment of
4 this Act, the Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred
5 to as the “Secretary”) shall complete a report on the suit-
6 ability and feasibility of recovering the costs of high alti-
7 tude rescues on Mt. McKinley, within Denali National
8 Park and Preserve. The Secretary shall also report on the
9 suitability and feasibility of requiring climbers to provide

1 proof of medical insurance prior to the issuance of a climb-
2 ing permit by the National Park Service. The report shall
3 also review the amount of fees charged for a climbing per-
4 mit and make such recommendations for changing the fee
5 structure as the Secretary deems appropriate. Upon com-
6 pletion, the report shall be submitted to the Committee
7 on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate, and the
8 Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives.

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