

110TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 1114

AN ACT

To require the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation and the United States Geological Survey, to conduct a study on groundwater resources in the State of Alaska, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Alaska Water Re-
3 sources Act of 2007”.

4 **SEC. 2. DEFINITIONS.**

5 In this Act:

6 (1) SECRETARY.—The term “Secretary” means
7 the Secretary of the Interior.

8 (2) STATE.—The term “State” means the State
9 of Alaska.

10 **SEC. 3. ALASKA WATER RESOURCES STUDY.**

11 (a) STUDY.—The Secretary, acting through the Com-
12 missioner of Reclamation and the Director of the United
13 States Geological Survey, where appropriate, and in ac-
14 cordance with this Act and other applicable provisions of
15 law, shall conduct a study that includes—

16 (1) a survey of accessible water supplies, includ-
17 ing aquifers, on the Kenai Peninsula and in the Mu-
18 nicipality of Anchorage, the Matanuska-Susitna Bor-
19 ough, the city of Fairbanks, and the Fairbanks
20 Northstar Borough;

21 (2) a survey of water treatment needs and tech-
22 nologies, including desalination, applicable to the
23 water resources of the State; and

24 (3) a review of the need for enhancement of the
25 streamflow information collected by the United

1 States Geological Survey in the State relating to
2 critical water needs in areas such as—

3 (A) infrastructure risks to State transpor-
4 tation;

5 (B) flood forecasting;

6 (C) resource extraction; and

7 (D) fire management.

8 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 2 years after the date
9 of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary shall submit
10 to the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of
11 Representatives and the Committee on Energy and Nat-
12 ural Resources of the Senate a report describing the re-
13 sults of the study required by subsection (a).

14 **SEC. 4. SUNSET.**

15 The authority of the Secretary to carry out any provi-
16 sions of this Act shall terminate 10 years after the date
17 of the enactment of this Act.

18 **SEC. 5. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

19 There are authorized to be appropriated such sums
20 as are necessary to carry out this Act.

Passed the House of Representatives May 7, 2007.

Attest:

Clerk.

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