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To make improvements to the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. MURKOWSKI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Governmental Affairs

A BILL

To make improvements to the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984.

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Arctic Research and
5 Policy Amendments Act of 2001”.

6 **SEC. 2. CHAIRPERSON OF THE ARCTIC RESEARCH COMMIS-
7 SION.**

8 (a) COMPENSATION.—Section 103(d)(1) of the Arctic
9 Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4102(d)(1))
10 is amended in the second sentence by striking “90 days”
11 and inserting “, in the case of the chairperson of the Com-

1 mission, 120 days, and, in the case of any other member
2 of the Commission, 90 days.”.

3 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section 103(d)(2) of
4 the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C.
5 4102(d)(2)) is amended by striking “Chairman” and in-
6 serting “chairperson”.

7 **SEC. 3. COMMISSION AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN RE-**
8 **SEARCH.**

9 Section 104 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act
10 of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4103) is amended—

11 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
12 section (d); and

13 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
14 lowing:

15 “(b) COMMISSION AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE IN RE-
16 SEARCH.—

17 “(1) IN GENERAL.—The Commission may make
18 an annual award of not to exceed \$1,000. Awards
19 may be made for excellence in Arctic research or for
20 outstanding support of Arctic research.

21 “(2) INELIGIBILITY OF COMMISSION MEM-
22 BERS.—An individual who has been a member of the
23 Commission shall be ineligible to receive an award
24 under paragraph (1).”.

1 **SEC. 4. GRANTS FOR ARCTIC RESEARCH.**

2 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 104 of the Arctic Re-
3 search and Policy Act of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4103) (as
4 amended by section 3) is amended by inserting after sub-
5 section (b) the following:

6 “(c) FUNDING FOR ARCTIC RESEARCH.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—With the prior approval of
8 the Commission, or under authority delegated by the
9 Commission, and subject to such conditions as the
10 Commission may specify, the Executive Director ap-
11 pointed under section 106(1) may—

12 “(A) make grants to persons to conduct re-
13 search concerning the Arctic; and

14 “(B) make funds available to the National
15 Science Foundation or to Federal agencies for
16 the conduct of research concerning the Arctic.

17 “(2) EFFECT OF ACTION BY EXECUTIVE DIREC-
18 TOR.—An action taken by the Executive Director
19 under paragraph (1) shall be final and binding on
20 the Commission.”.

21 (b) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—Section
22 111 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act of 1984 (15
23 U.S.C. 4110) is amended—

24 (1) by redesignating subsection (b) as sub-
25 section (c); and

1 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
2 lowing:

3 “(b) FUNDING FOR ARCTIC RESEARCH.—There are
4 authorized to be appropriated to the Commission such
5 sums as are necessary to carry out 104(c).”.

6 SEC. 5. REPRESENTATION AND RECEPTION ACTIVITIES.

7 Section 106 of the Arctic Research and Policy Act
8 of 1984 (15 U.S.C. 4105) is amended—

11 (2) in paragraph (5), by striking the period at
12 the end and inserting “; and”; and

13 (3) by adding at the end the following:

14 “(6) expend, for each fiscal year, not more than
15 0.2 percent of the amounts made available to the
16 Commission under section 111 for representation
17 and reception activities.”.