

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 1235

To amend the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act to authorize Regional Corporations and Village Corporations to establish energy assistance programs.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MAY 6, 2015

Ms. MURKOWSKI introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

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. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Alaska Native Energy
5 Assistance Program Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. SHAREHOLDER ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 7 of the Alaska Native
8 Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1606) is amended by
9 adding at the end the following:

1 “(s) SHAREHOLDER ENERGY ASSISTANCE PRO-
2 GRAM.—A Regional Corporation or Village Corporation
3 may establish an energy assistance program that provides
4 to shareholders financial assistance for the payment of
5 residential electric bills, the cost of home weatherization
6 or energy efficiency improvements, or the purchase of
7 transportation fuels.”.

8 (b) TAXATION.—Section 21 of the Alaska Native
9 Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1620) is amended by
10 adding at the end the following:

11 “(k) ENERGY ASSISTANCE.—Any assistance provided
12 to shareholders under an energy assistance program estab-
13 lished under section 7(s) shall not be subject to any form
14 of Federal taxation.”.

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