

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

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To provide a permanent easement to the Shishmaref Native Corporation,
and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself and Mr. SULLIVAN) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and referred to the Committee on

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 “ANCSA Shishmaref
5 Emergency Access Easement Act of 2017”.

6 **SEC. 2. SHISHMAREF EASEMENT.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Subject to subsection (b), the Sec-
8 retary of the Interior shall grant the Shishmaref Native
9 Corporation, a Corporation established under the Alaska
10 Native Claims Settlement Act (43 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.),

1 a perpetual easement of approximately 300 feet that
2 crosses the Bering Land Bridge National Monument to
3 permit a surface transportation route between the Village
4 of Shishmaref and the general area of Ear Mountain,
5 Alaska.

6 (b) PROPOSED EASEMENT.—The easement described
7 in subsection (a) shall be jointly proposed by the
8 Shishmaref Native Corporation, the City of Shishmaref,
9 and the Native Village of Shishmaref based on rec-
10 ommendations made by the State of Alaska.

11 (c) APPROVAL UNDER ANILCA.—The easement
12 granted under this section shall be considered to meet all
13 applicable requirements of title XI of the Alaska National
14 Interest Lands Conservation Act (16 U.S.C. 3161 et seq.).