EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 118

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, and in accordance with AS 24.08.210, I order the following:

* Section 1. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

**FINDING.** As governor, I find that with the reorganization in the Department of Labor and Workforce Development under my Administrative Order No. 275, the employment security division and the division of business partnerships were merged into a single division called the division of employment and training services. With the naming of the new division and to avoid confusion, it is necessary to amend the Alaska Statutes to reflect the change.

* Sec. 2. AS 23.20.382(a) is amended to read:

(a) Benefits or waiting-week credit for any week may not be denied an otherwise eligible individual because the individual is attending a vocational training or retraining course with the approval of the director of the division responsible for employment and training services [EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION] or because, while attending the course, the individual is not available for work or refuses an offer of work.

* Sec. 3. AS 43.05.230(c) is amended to read:

(c) The department may permit the proper officer of the United States or of a state, territory or possession of the United States or of Canada or of a province or territory of Canada, or the officer's authorized representative, to inspect tax returns or reports filed with the department, or may furnish to the officer or representative a copy of the tax return, if the other jurisdiction grants substantially similar privileges to the department or its representative or to counsel for the state, and if the department determines that the other jurisdiction provides adequate safeguards for the
confidentiality of the returns and reports, and that the returns and reports will be used for tax purposes only. The department may also permit the division responsible for employment and training services [EMPLOYMENT SECURITY DIVISION] of the state Department of Labor and Workforce Development to inspect tax returns or reports filed with the department or may furnish a copy of the tax returns for tax purposes only.

* Sec. 18. This Order takes effect July 1, 2016

DATED: _______________________

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Bill Walker
Governor