A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to the circumstances under which an ambulatory surgical facility may relocate its services without obtaining a certificate of need and relating to the subsequent use of the site from which the ambulatory surgical facility relocated; and providing for an effective date."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 18.07.031(a) is amended to read:

(a) Except as provided in (c) of this section, a [A] person may not make an expenditure of $1,000,000 or more for any of the following unless authorized under the terms of a certificate of need issued by the department:

(1) construction of a health care facility;
(2) alteration of the bed capacity of a health care facility; or
(3) addition of a category of health services provided by a health care facility.

* Sec. 2. AS 18.07.031 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:
(c) Notwithstanding (a) of this section, a person who is lawfully operating a health care facility that is an ambulatory surgical facility at a site may make an expenditure of any amount in order to relocate the services of that facility to a new site in the same community without obtaining a certificate of need as long as neither the bed capacity nor the number of categories of health services provided at the new site is greater. However, notwithstanding the expenditure threshold in (a) of this section, a person may not use the site from which the health care facility relocated for another health care facility unless authorized under a certificate of need issued by the department.

* Sec. 3. The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

APPLICABILITY. AS 18.07.031(c), added by sec. 2 of this Act, applies to a relocation that begins on or after the effective date of this Act.

* Sec. 4. This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).