HOUSE BILL NO. 324

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 2/2/00
Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act requiring written consent by the person who is the subject of the information before releasing personal information contained in motor vehicle records, to comply with 18 U.S.C. 2721; and providing for an effective date."

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

* Section 1. AS 28.10.505(d) is amended to read:

(d) Personal information may be disclosed by the department upon proof of the identity of the person requesting a record and representation by the requesting person that the use of the personal information is strictly limited to one or more of the following uses:

(1) for use by a government agency, including a court or law enforcement agency, in carrying out its functions, or a private person or entity acting on behalf of a government agency in carrying out its functions;

(2) for use in the normal course of business by a legitimate business or an agent, employee, or contractor of the business, but only
(A) to verify the accuracy of personal information submitted by
an individual to the business or an agent, employee, or contractor of the
business; and

(B) if the information submitted is not correct, to obtain the
correct information, but only for the purposes of preventing fraud by pursuing
legal remedies against, or recovering on a debt or security interest against, an
individual;

(3) for use in connection with a civil, criminal, administrative, or
arbitration proceeding in a court or government agency or before a self-regulatory
body, including service of process and the execution or enforcement of a judgment or
court order;

(4) for use in research activities, or in producing statistical reports, if
the personal information is not published, redisclosed, or used to contact an individual;

(5) for use by an insurer or insurance support organization, or by a
self-insured entity, or an agent, employee, or contractor of an insurer, in connection
with claims investigation activities, anti-fraud activities, rating, or underwriting;

(6) for use in providing notice to the owners of towed or impounded
vehicles;

(7) for use by an employer or an agent or insurer of an employer to
obtain or verify information relating to a holder of a commercial driver’s license that
is required under 49 U.S.C. 31101 - 31162 (Commercial Motor Vehicle Safety Act);

(8) for use in connection with the operation of private toll
transportation facilities;

(9) for use in connection with a legitimate business operating under a
contract with the department;

(10) for bulk distribution for surveys, marketing, or solicitations if the

person who is the subject of the information has provided written consent to the
release [DEPARTMENT HAS IMPLEMENTED METHODS AND PROCEDURES
TO ENSURE THAT

(A) PERSONS THAT ARE PROVIDED AN OPPORTUNITY,
IN A CLEAR AND CONSPICUOUS MANNER, TO PROHIBIT USES; AND
(B) THE INFORMATION WILL BE USED, RENTED, OR SOLD SOLELY FOR BULK DISTRIBUTION FOR SURVEYS, MARKETING, AND SOLICITATIONS, AND THAT SURVEYS, MARKETING, AND SOLICITATIONS WILL NOT BE DIRECTED AT THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE REQUESTED IN TIMELY FASHION THAT THE MATERIAL NOT BE MAILED TO THEM]; and

(11) for any other purpose specifically authorized by law that is related to the operation of a motor vehicle or related to public safety.

* Sec. 2. AS 28.10.505(e) is amended to read:

(e) Personal information contained in an individual record may be disclosed, without regard to the intended use of the personal information, if the person who is the subject of the information has provided written consent to the release [DEPARTMENT PROVIDES IN A CLEAR AND CONSPICUOUS MANNER ON FORMS FOR ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF REGISTRATIONS, TITLES, OR IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENTS NOTICE THAT PERSONAL INFORMATION COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT MAY BE DISCLOSED TO A PERSON MAKING A REQUEST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL RECORD, AND HAS PROVIDED IN A CLEAR AND CONSPICUOUS MANNER ON THE FORMS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A PERSON WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A RECORD TO PROHIBIT DISCLOSURE].

* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect June 1, 2000.