HOUSE BILL NO. 384

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES GUTTENBERG, Gara, Tuck, Drummond, Kawasaki

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Referred:  Labor and Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

"An Act relating to the Regulatory Commission of Alaska and broadband Internet regulations."

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

* Section 1. AS 42.05.990(6) is amended to read:

   (6) "public utility" or "utility" includes every corporation whether public, cooperative, or otherwise, company, individual, or association of individuals, their lessees, trustees, or receivers appointed by a court, that owns, operates, manages, or controls any plant, pipeline, or system for

   (A) furnishing, by generation, transmission, or distribution, electrical service to the public for compensation;

   (B) furnishing telecommunications service, ___including broadband Internet access, to the public for compensation;

   (C) furnishing water, steam, or sewer service to the public for compensation;
(D) furnishing by transmission or distribution of natural or manufactured gas to the public for compensation;

(E) furnishing for distribution or by distribution petroleum or petroleum products to the public for compensation when the consumer has no alternative in the choice of supplier of a comparable product and service at an equal or lesser price;

(F) furnishing collection and disposal service of garbage, refuse, trash, or other waste material to the public for compensation;

(G) furnishing the service of natural gas storage to the public for compensation;

(H) furnishing the service of liquefied natural gas storage to the public for compensation;

* Sec. 2. AS 42.05.990 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(14) "broadband Internet access" means high-speed Internet access that is always on and that is faster than traditional dial-up access.