

AMENDMENT

OFFERED IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR _____

TO: SSSB 54

1 Page 13, lines 2 - 7:

2 Delete "**to an officer or employee practicing engineering, architecture, land**
3 **surveying, or landscape architecture on**

4 (A) [TO] buildings or structures whose primary use is public
5 occupancy; **or**

6 (B) **natural gas pipelines; in this subparagraph, "natural**
7 **gas pipeline" has the meaning given in AS 31.25.390;**

8 Insert "to buildings or structures whose primary use is public occupancy;"

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10 Page 13, following line 28:

11 Insert new bill sections to read:

12 **"* Sec. 27.** AS 08.48.331(a), as amended by sec. 26 of this Act, is amended to read:

13 (a) This chapter does not apply to

14 (1) a contractor performing work designed by a professional architect,
15 engineer, or landscape architect or the supervision of the construction of the work as a
16 supervisor or superintendent for a contractor;

17 (2) workers in building trades crafts, earthwork, grounds keeping, or
18 nursery operations, and superintendents, supervisors, or inspectors in the performance
19 of their customary duties;

20 (3) an officer or employee of the United States government practicing
21 architecture, engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture as required by the
22 person's official capacity;

23 (4) an employee or a subordinate of a registrant if the work or service

1 is done under the direct supervision of a registrant;

2 (5) associates, consultants, or specialists retained by a registrant,
3 partnership of registered individuals, corporation, limited liability company, limited
4 liability partnership, or limited partnership authorized to practice architecture,
5 engineering, land surveying, or landscape architecture under this chapter, in the
6 performance of professional services if responsible charge of the work remains with
7 the registrant, the partnership, or a designated representative of the corporation,
8 limited liability company, limited liability partnership, or limited partnership;

9 (6) a person preparing drawings or specifications for

10 (A) a building for the person's own use and occupancy as a
11 single family residence and related site work for that building;

12 (B) farm or ranch buildings and their grounds unless the public
13 health, safety, or welfare is involved;

14 (C) a building that is intended to be used only as a residence by
15 not more than

16 (i) four families and that is not more than two stories
17 high and the grounds of the building; or

18 (ii) two families and that is not more than three stories
19 high and the grounds of the building, if the building is located in a
20 municipality that has adopted a building or residential code that applies
21 to the building and if the building complies with the building or
22 residential code;

23 (D) a garage, workshop, or similar building that contains less
24 than 2,000 square feet of floor space to be used for a private noncommercial
25 purpose and the grounds of the building;

26 (7) a specialty contractor licensed under AS 08.18 while engaged in
27 the business of construction contracting for work designed by an architect, engineer,
28 or landscape architect that is within the specialty to be performed or supervised by the
29 specialty contractor, or a contractor preparing shop or field drawings for work that the
30 specialty contractor has contracted to perform;

31 (8) a person furnishing drawings, specifications, instruments of

1 service, or other data for alterations or repairs to a building or its grounds that do not
 2 change or affect the structural system or the safety of the building, or that do not affect
 3 the public health, safety, or welfare;

4 (9) a person who is employed by a postsecondary educational
 5 institution to teach engineering, architectural, or landscape architectural courses; in
 6 this paragraph, "postsecondary educational institution" has the meaning given in
 7 AS 14.48.210;

8 (10) an officer or employee of an individual, firm, partnership,
 9 association, utility, corporation, limited liability company, limited liability partnership,
 10 or limited partnership, who practices engineering, architecture, land surveying, or
 11 landscape architecture involved in the operation of the employer's business only if
 12 neither the employee nor the employer offers engineering, architecture, land
 13 surveying, or landscape architecture services to the public; exclusions under this
 14 paragraph do not apply **to an officer or employee**

15 **(A) practicing engineering, architecture, land surveying, or**
 16 **landscape architecture on [TO] buildings or structures whose primary use is**
 17 **public occupancy; or**

18 **(B) of a utility that owns, operates, manages, or controls a**
 19 **pipeline that furnishes by transmission or distributes natural or**
 20 **manufactured gas to the public for compensation and who is practicing**
 21 **engineering on the facilities of the pipeline that operate at a pressure**
 22 **greater than 100 pounds per square inch gauge in one of the following**
 23 **manners:**

24 **(i) the installation of a new district pressure**
 25 **regulator station, compressor station, or gate station;**

26 **(ii) the reconfiguration or physical change of a**
 27 **district pressure regulator station, compressor station, or gate**
 28 **station that alters or modifies the configuration or overpressure**
 29 **protection of equipment; in this sub-subparagraph,**
 30 **"reconfiguration or physical change" does not include a routine**
 31 **operating adjustment or similar replacement; or**

1 (iii) the installation, uprating, repair by
 2 replacement, or abandonment of the pipeline;

3 (11) a person while involved in revegetation, restoration, reclamation,
 4 rehabilitation, or erosion control for disturbed land that the board determines does not
 5 affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

6 (12) a person while maintaining or directing the placement of plant
 7 material that the board determines does not affect the public health, safety, or welfare;

8 (13) an employee, officer, or agent of a regulatory agency of the state
 9 or a municipality when reviewing drawings and specifications for compliance with the
 10 building codes of the state or a municipality if the drawings and specifications have
 11 been sealed and signed by an architect, engineer, land surveyor, or landscape architect
 12 or the preparation of the drawings and specifications is exempt under this section from
 13 the requirements of this chapter; in this paragraph, "building codes" includes codes
 14 relating to building, mechanical, plumbing, electrical, fire safety standards, and
 15 zoning;

16 (14) a person who is designing fire protection systems and is
 17 authorized by the Department of Public Safety to design fire protection systems;

18 (15) a person who is authorized to construct, install, or modify a
 19 conventional onsite wastewater system by the Department of Environmental
 20 Conservation under AS 46.03.100 and is constructing, installing, or modifying a
 21 conventional onsite wastewater system with a capacity of less than 500 gallons of
 22 wastewater a day; the Department of Environmental Conservation may adopt
 23 regulations limiting the locations in the state in which this paragraph applies.

24 * **Sec. 28.** AS 08.48.331 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

25 (c) Notwithstanding (a)(10)(B) of this section, this chapter does not apply to
 26 an officer or employee of a utility that owns, operates, manages, or controls a pipeline
 27 that furnishes by transmission or distributes natural or manufactured gas to the public
 28 for compensation and who is practicing engineering in an emergency on the facilities
 29 of the pipeline that operate at a pressure greater than 100 pounds per square inch
 30 gauge. The utility shall notify the Regulatory Commission of Alaska when an officer
 31 or employee of the utility practices engineering in an emergency under this

1 subsection."

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3 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.

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5 Page 17, line 8:

6 Delete "37"

7 Insert "39"

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9 Page 17, following line 8:

10 Insert a new bill section to read:

11 "* **Sec. 41.** Sections 27 and 28 of this Act take effect January 1, 2026."

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13 Renumber the following bill section accordingly.

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15 Page 17, line 9:

16 Delete "sec. 38"

17 Insert "secs. 40 and 41"