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"An Act relating to the renewal and transfer of ownership of a beverage dispensary license or restaurant or eating place license."

House Bill 301 would grandfather hospitality businesses that have been operating for at least thirty years, some for close to one hundred, and allow them to continue operating with a tourism beverage dispensary license. These businesses essentially function as roadhouses, a place to stay for the weary traveler (or miner as it were when their doors first opened) and have long held a place in Alaska's storied past.

When Title IV was last rewritten in 1985, the law was interpreted to let them function under the tourism dispensary license despite not providing as many rooms as was required by the population parameters. Some of these establishments would have to build an additional forty rooms to comply with the interpretation of the current statute. HB301 simply allows long-time Alaskan businesses to continue operating as they have been for over thirty-two years.

If you have any questions, please contact my staff, Laura Stidolph, (907) 465-6879. Thank you for your support of this legislation.