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MEMORANDUM

February 23, 2009

SUBJECT: Sectional summary of HB 132 (Work Order No. 26-LS0590\A)

TO: Representative Paul Seaton

Attn: Mary Jane Shows

Brian J. Kane / S Legislative Counsel FROM:

You have requested a sectional summary of HB 132, a bill authorizing municipalities and nonprofit organizations to sponsor a program to encourage the safe use of bicycles as an alternative or supplement to motor vehicles.

Please note that a sectional summary of a bill is not an authoritative interpretation of a bill. The bill itself is the best statement of its contents.

Section 1 of the bill authorizes a municipality to establish a safe bicycle ridership program.

Sections 2 - 4 of the bill amend AS 41.21.864 and 41.21.868 to include bicycle paths.

Section 5 of the bill creates a grant program within the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to encourage the regular and safe use of bicycles and establishes a fund to be used for grants.

Section 6 of the bill instructs the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development to mail a survey to residents who participated in the program in order to evaluate the effectiveness of the program and to submit a report to the legislature.

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