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Explanation of Changes from CSHB 88 (STA), version I to draft CSHB 88 () version D

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CSHB 88 (STA) includes language about Alaska Native or American Native tribes.

However, we received information this week from an attorney who specializes in tribal law, Peter Putzier, with the Alaska Department of Law. We agreed with his suggestions for language change as follows:

This language will amend the uncodified law by inserting the following language on Page 1, Section 1:

"This Act is not intended directly or indirectly to address questions of tribal law or application of such tribal law, or otherwise to address the intersection between state law and tribal law."

The language in CSHB 88 (STA) could be confusing under Section 2, (g)
Delete the following language on Page 2, Section 2, (g) Lines 27-28:

After States, [EXCEPT THAT "FOREIGN LAW" DOES NOT MEAN NOR SHALL IT INCLUDE A LAW OF AN ALASKA NATIVE OR NATIVE AMERICAN TRIBE IN THE STATE].

Peter Putzier will be available online for questions regarding this CS or tribal laws.

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