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MEMORANDUM

March 31, 2011

SUBJECT:

Sectional Summary for HB 50 (Work Order No. 27-LS0254\A)

TO:

Representative Dan Saddler

Attn: Lynne Smith

FROM:

Doug Gardner Divector

You requested a sectional summary of HB 50, a bill relating to purchase of alcoholic beverages at a club, and to access by certain persons under 21 to the club's licensed premises when alcoholic beverages are present. This summary is current as of the date of this memorandum and the "A" version of the bill. As a preliminary matter, a sectional summary of a bill should not be considered an authoritative interpretation of the bill and the bill itself is the best statement of its contents. If you would like an interpretation of the bill as it may apply to a particular set of circumstances, please advise.

<u>Section 1</u> removes the phrase "upon special occasions" from AS 04.11.110(d). The effect of this deletion would allow military personnel on active duty, who are extended club privileges by patriotic organizations, to purchase alcoholic beverages in the portion of the club that is a part of the club's licensed premises at times beyond just "special occasions."

<u>Section 2</u> adds the phrase "is a guest or member of the club" to AS 04.11.110(g). The addition of this phrase would allow a person under 21 years of age to enter or remain on the premises of a patriotic organization that is licensed as a club under AS 04.11.110, when alcoholic beverages are present, if the person under 21 years of age is a guest or a member of the club, and has proper military identification on their person. The amendments to this section add the requirement that for a person under 21 years of age to remain in the licensed premises portion of a patriotic club, the person must be either a guest or a member of the club.

<u>Section 3</u> conforms AS 04.16.049 (Access of persons under 21 years of age to licensed premises), to the amendment set out in section 2 of the bill. This section adds a subsection to AS 04.16.049(a), which allows a person under 21 to enter or remain on a licensed premises under Title 4, if "the person is permitted on the premises under AS 04.11.110(g)."

If you have further questions, please advise.

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