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**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 216( )**  
**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**  
**TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY**

**Offered:**

**Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES PEGGY WILSON, Lynn**

**A BILL**  
**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to deadlines in bills directing the adoption of regulations and to the**  
2 **notice required for the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation."**

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:**

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 24.08 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 24.08.045. Bills authorizing regulations.** (a) A bill that directs an agency  
6 in the executive branch of state government to adopt regulations must

7 (1) set a specific time by which the regulations must be adopted; and

8 (2) provide that, if the agency is not able to meet the deadline set in the  
9 bill, the agency shall report to the Administrative Regulation Review Committee the  
10 reasons for being unable to meet the specific time set in the bill.

11 (b) This section does not apply to the adoption of regulations by a state board  
12 or commission.

13 **\* Sec. 2.** AS 44.62.200 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

14 (d) When a state agency, other than the Regulatory Commission of Alaska, the

1 Board of Fisheries, or the Board of Game, posts a notice of the proposed adoption,  
2 amendment, or repeal of a regulation on the Alaska Online Public Notice System or  
3 furnishes the notice in an electronic format under AS 44.62.190(a), the notice must  
4 include a brief description of the changes made by the proposed adoption, amendment,  
5 or repeal and shall be written in clear, easily readable language that a person without a  
6 legal background is able to understand without following Internet links to the Alaska  
7 Administrative Code. Notwithstanding AS 44.62.300, an action may not be brought  
8 for failure of the notice to comply with the requirements of this subsection relating to  
9 the description of the changes or the clarity and readability of the notice.

10 \* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
11 read:

12 **APPLICABILITY.** (a) AS 24.08.045, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, applies to bills that  
13 are filed on or after the effective date of this Act.

14 (b) AS 42.62.200(d), enacted by sec. 2 of this Act, applies to the proposed adoption,  
15 amendment, or repeal of a regulation on or after the effective date of this Act.