

Alaska State Legislature



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Sponsor Statement for CS House Bill 140(FIN)

"An Act relating to the information that must be included with certain notices provided for the proposed adoption, amendment, or repeal of a regulation."

Under current law, state agencies that propose changes to the Alaska Administrative Code, our state regulations, are required to disclose certain information about the regulation, including the reason for the proposed action, costs of implementation of the regulation to the adopting agency and the origin of the proposed regulation.

To provide better information about regulations that may significantly affect private individuals and businesses, other state agencies and local governments, House Bill 140 requires that regulation notices include information about estimated costs beyond those to the agency.

In view of the increasing reach of the Washington D.C. into Alaska's affairs, the bill also requires that when the federal government is the reason for the regulation, the exact federal law, executive order or decision be identified in order for Alaskans to better understand government actions that affect their businesses and lives.

Open government is a great American and Alaskan tradition. I respectfully request your support for House Bill 140.