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Sectional for HB 68 - Paper Reduction Act

"An Act relating to the preparation, electronic distribution, and posting of reports by state agencies."

Section 1

Amends AS 14.56.120(a) to changes the current number of copies of state publications deposited at the library from four to five, as requested by State librarians.

Section 2

Amends 14.56.170 (which outlines the library's current procedure with reports) by providing exception for new section AS 44.99.260, so that the public can request reproductions of public documents free of charge.

Section 3

Amends AS 44.62.175(a) to include state agency reports as something that must be included on the Alaska Online Public Notice System.

Section 4

Creates Sec. 44.99.250, titled "Electronic distribution and posting," stipulating that if an agency produces reports, it must post those reports on the Alaska Online Public Notice System. It may not print hard copies of the reports, except when required by federal law, by agreement, when approved by the head of the agency, or by request through the state library.

Section 5

Creates Sec. 44.99.260, titled "Print copy requests," which establishes that the policy of printing five hard copies of each report for the state library distribution and data access center will remain, as set out in amended AS 14.56.120.

Section 6

Creates Sec. 44.99.270, titled “Graphic design for reports,” which says agencies cannot hire contractors for photography or design work on reports unless there is no agency employee qualified to do the work, or it would cost less to do so.

Section 5

Creates Sec. 44.99.290, titled “Definitions,” which defines both “report” and “state agency” as understood in the new sections.