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**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 262(HSS)**

**IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA**

**TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION**

**BY THE HOUSE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

**Offered:**

**Referred:**

**Sponsor(s): HOUSE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

**"An Act relating to eligibility requirements of the Alaska senior benefits payment program; and providing for an effective date."**

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

**\* Section 1.** AS 47.45.302(a) is amended to read:

(a) An individual is eligible for a cash assistance benefit under the program if the individual

(1) is 65 years of age or older;

(2) is a resident of the state;

(3) is a

(A) citizen of the United States; or

(B) "qualified alien," as defined under 8 U.S.C. 1641, and is not precluded by the limited eligibility provision of 8 U.S.C. 1613;

(4) has a household income that does not exceed 175 percent of the annual federal poverty line for Alaska, as determined by the United States Department

1 of Health and Human Services and revised under 42 U.S.C. 9902(2);

2 (5) [(4)] has not received a longevity bonus payment under  
3 AS 47.45.010 - 47.45.160 for the same period; and

4 (6) [(5)] applies in the format prescribed [ON A FORM  
5 PROVIDED] by the department; the department may use an abbreviated form for an  
6 individual who received a payment under an assistance program for seniors that paid  
7 \$120 a month and was administered by the department on or before July 29, 2007.

8 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2016.