ALASKA STATE SENATE



Explanation of Changes in Committee Substitute for SB 171 From version A to version M "An Act relating to Industrial Hemp"

Page 3, lines 25 through 28:

A new subsection has been added to the bill that the department "may" develop an industrial hemp program that complies with federal requirements.

Page 3, line 29 through page 4, line 4

The CS removes the repeal of AS 03.05.079, and instead revises this subsection so that if someone produces industrial hemp with THC between .3 percent and 1.0 percent, they main retain and recondition it.

Page 4, lines 5 through 7

A new subsection stating that if a person retains and fails to recondition, they are guilty of a violation.

Page 4, lines 8 through 14

Revised the definition of Industrial Hemp to coincide with the federal definition change in the 2018 Farm Bill.

Page 4, Lines 16 through 24

Conditional language for the effective date of the repeal of AS 03.05.077. The repeal of the pilot program will take effect once the Industrial Hemp Program, developed by the department, is approved by the USDA.