

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 480(STA)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 3/20/02**

**Referred: Rules**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE DYSON**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1   **"An Act providing that the death of an employee killed because of the employee's job**  
2   **status shall be considered an occupational death for purposes of survivor's pension**  
3   **benefits in the teachers' retirement system and the public employees' retirement**  
4   **system."**

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

6    \* **Section 1.** AS 14.25.157 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7           (d) If a member's death is caused by an act of assault, assassination, or  
8           terrorism directly related to the person's status as a member, whether the act occurs on  
9           or off the member's job site, the death shall be considered to have occurred in the  
10          performance of and within the scope of the member's duties for purposes of (a)(2) of  
11          this section. If the expressed or apparent motive and intent of the perpetrator of the  
12          harm inflicted upon the member was due to the performance of the member's job  
13          duties or employment as a member, the death shall be considered to be directly related  
14          to the member's status as a member. A member's job duties are those performed

1 within the course and scope of the member's employment with an employer.

2 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 39.35.430 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

3 (g) If an employee's death is caused by an act of assault, assassination, or  
4 terrorism directly related to the person's status as an employee, whether the act occurs  
5 on or off the employee's job site, the death shall be considered to have occurred in the  
6 performance of and within the scope of the employee's duties for purposes of (b)(2) of  
7 this section. If the expressed or apparent motive and intent of the perpetrator of the  
8 harm inflicted upon the employee was due to the performance of the employee's job  
9 duties or employment, the death shall be considered to be directly related to the  
10 employee's status as an employee. An employee's job duties are those performed  
11 within the course and scope of the person's employment with an employer.