

HOUSE BILL NO. 329

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Introduced: 2/23/26

Referred:

A BILL**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to certificates of fitness for employees of an electric utility."

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 18.62.010 is amended to read:

4 **Sec. 18.62.010. Certificate of fitness required.** In connection with work
5 performed subject to the standards established in AS 18.60.580 and AS 18.60.705, a
6 person may not be employed without a certificate of fitness to perform the work,
7 except that a certificate of fitness may not be required of employees of an electric
8 utility, or qualified employees of the local municipal or tribal government
9 performing work on behalf of the utility,

10 (1) within a service area that does not contain [HAVE WITHIN ITS
11 SERVICE AREA] any portion of a city or unified municipality having more than
12 2,500 population; or

13 (2) within a portion of a service area that is not

14 (A) electrically interconnected with another portion of the
15 electric utility's service area; and

1 **(B) a city or unified municipality having more than 2,500**
2 **population.**

3 * **Sec. 2.** AS 18.62.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (b) In this section, "qualified employee" means a person who, through
5 possession of a recognized degree, certificate, professional standing, or knowledge,
6 training, and experience, has successfully demonstrated the ability to safely perform
7 the work assigned.