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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 193(L&CFIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - ~~FIRST~~SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE ~~LABOR AND COMMERCE~~FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:
Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES HALL, Fields, Carrick, Eischeid, Himschoot, Hannan, Story

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act establishing a paid parental leave program; relating to ~~special~~-employer
2 ~~contributions~~surcharges; relating to the employment assistance and training program
3 account; relating to unemployment benefits; relating to the collection of child support
4 obligations; ~~and~~relating to employee unemployment tax credits; relating to employer
5 contributions to unemployment; relating to the duties of the Department of Labor and
6 Workforce Development; and providing for an effective date."

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

8 * **Section 1.** AS 23.10 is amended by adding new sections to read:

9 **Article 9. Alaska Paid Parental Leave Program.**

10 **Sec. 23.10.700. Paid parental leave program.** The department shall
11 administer the paid parental leave program established under AS 23.10.700 -
12 23.10.795.

13 **Sec. 23.10.705. Parental leave fund account.** The parental leave fund account

1 is established in the general fund. The commissioner of administration shall separately
 2 account for money collected under AS 23.10.710 ~~and AS 23.20.290(g)~~ that the
 3 department deposits in the general fund. The legislature may appropriate the annual
 4 estimated balance in the account to the department to implement AS 23.10.700 -
 5 23.10.795. The legislature may appropriate the lapsing balance of the account to the
 6 unemployment compensation fund under AS 23.20.130.

7 **Sec. 23.10.710. ~~Special—employee—contribution~~Contributions or**
 8 **reimbursement payments for paid parental leave ~~program~~.** (a) ~~In~~Except as
 9 provided in (b) of this section, in the manner provided in AS 23.20 and for the benefit
 10 of the paid parental leave program, the department shall collect from each employee
 11 an amount equal to .15 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175, on which the
 12 employee is required to make contributions under AS 23.20.290(d). The department
 13 shall remit money collected under this subsection in accordance with AS 37.10.050.

14 ~~(b) Notwithstanding AS 23.20.290(d), the department shall credit each~~
 15 ~~employee with an amount equal to the amount collected from the employee under (a)~~
 16 ~~of this section against unemployment contributions owed by the employee under~~
 17 ~~AS 23.20.~~(b) A nonprofit organization, governmental entity, or federally recognized
 18 tribe that has elected to make payments in place of contributions under AS 23.20.277
 19 shall make reimbursement payments to the paid parental leave program in the manner
 20 provided in AS 23.20.277.

21 (c) The department shall assess and collect, under AS 23.20.185 - 23.20.275,
 22 interest and penalties for delinquent reports and payments due under this section.
 23 Interest and penalties collected shall be handled in accordance with AS 23.20.130(d).

24 **Sec. 23.10.715. Qualifying purpose.** An eligible employee may use paid
 25 parental leave when the employee needs to be absent from work to

26 (1) care for a child within 12 months of the

27 (A) ~~anticipated~~ birth of that child to, adoption of that child by,
 28 or placement of that child with the eligible employee; or

29 (B) appointment of the eligible employee as the legal guardian
 30 of that child; or

31 (2) complete an adoption, legal guardianship, or foster placement

1 process of a child before the child is adopted by or placed with the employee.

2 **Sec. 23.10.720. Paid parental leave claim.** (a) The department shall establish
3 by regulation procedures for filing a claim for paid parental leave under AS 23.10.700
4 - 23.10.795, including a procedure for certifying that the leave is for a qualifying
5 purpose under AS 23.10.715.

6 (b) An employee may file a claim with the department for paid parental leave
7 not more than 60 days before the anticipated start date of the qualifying absence from
8 work nor more than 90 days after the date on which the qualifying absence from work
9 began. The department may waive the 90-day filing deadline for good cause. The
10 department may process a claim without the eligible employee providing exact dates
11 of an anticipated qualifying absence from work. The department may adjust claim data
12 through a claim modification process established by the department.

13 (c) The department may accept any of the following as sufficient evidence that
14 a paid parental leave claim is for a qualifying purpose:

15 (1) the child's birth certificate;

16 (2) a document from the child's health care provider or the health care
17 provider of the person who gave birth to the child, stating the child's date of birth;

18 (3) a document from the child's health care provider, the adoption
19 agency involved in the adoption, or another individual approved by the department
20 confirming the adoption or anticipated adoption and the date of the adoption or
21 anticipated adoption;

22 (4) a document from the foster care agency involved in the child's
23 placement, or from another individual approved by the department, confirming the
24 placement or anticipated placement of the child for foster care;

25 (5) a form signed by the employee acknowledging paternity of the
26 child that meets the requirements of AS 18.50.165; or

27 (6) a document from a state or tribal court confirming a petition for or
28 decree of legal guardianship of the child.

29 **Sec. 23.10.725. Eligibility; benefit amount; duration.** (a) An employee who
30 is paid at least \$2,500 in wages during the employee's base period for employment
31 covered by AS 23.20.700 - 23.20.795 is eligible to receive paid parental leave under

1 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 if those wages were paid in at least two of the calendar
2 quarters of the employee's base period ~~is eligible to receive paid~~. Paid parental leave
3 ~~beginning~~begins the first day of absence from work for a qualifying purpose under
4 AS 23.10.715.

5 (b) The department shall calculate an employee's base period for purposes of
6 (a) of this section using the first four of the last five completed calendar quarters
7 immediately preceding the first day of the employee's benefit year, except that, if an
8 employee would not otherwise be eligible for paid parental leave because of the use of
9 a base period that does not include the most recently completed calendar quarter
10 immediately preceding the first day of the employee's benefit year, the department
11 shall calculate the employee's base period and determine the employee's eligibility
12 using the four most recently completed calendar quarters before the start of the benefit
13 year. For an individual who has been separated from employment for not more than 26
14 weeks, the department shall calculate the individual's base period using the first four
15 of the last five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the individual's
16 separation from employment, except that, if an individual would not otherwise be
17 eligible for paid parental leave because of the use of a base period that does not
18 include the most recently completed calendar quarter, the department shall calculate
19 the individual's base period and determine the individual's eligibility using the four
20 most recently completed calendar quarters before the start of the benefit year.

21 (c) The department shall determine an eligible employee's weekly benefit in
22 the same manner as provided in AS 23.20.350(d). The department shall calculate the
23 employee's weekly benefit in accordance with AS 23.10.730 for employees using the
24 accelerated benefit option.

25 (d) The maximum number of weeks for which an eligible employee may take
26 paid parental leave, and for which paid parental leave ~~insurance~~ benefits are payable in
27 a benefit year, is between eight and 26 weeks, cumulative, as determined by the
28 department. The department shall determine and make public the maximum duration
29 of the parental leave benefit each year, based on fund solvency, forecasted use, and
30 actuarial studies completed under AS 23.10.780. For employees using the accelerated
31 benefit option, the department shall calculate the number of weeks an eligible

1 employee may take paid parental leave in accordance with AS 23.10.730.

2 (e) In this section, "benefit year" means a period of 52 consecutive weeks
3 beginning at 12:00 a.m. of the Sunday preceding the day that an eligible employee
4 first files a claim for paid parental leave and, thereafter, the period of 52 consecutive
5 weeks beginning at 12:00 a.m. of the Sunday preceding the day that the ~~insured~~
6 ~~worker~~eligible employee next files the claim after the end of the eligible employee's
7 last preceding benefit year; however, for an eligible employee covered by this
8 subsection, "benefit year" also means a period of 53 weeks if the filing of a claim for
9 paid parental leave would result in overlapping any quarter of the base year of a
10 previously filed request for paid parental leave.

11 **Sec. 23.10.730. Accelerated benefit option.** An eligible employee may choose
12 to receive the paid parental leave benefit on an accelerated basis. For each week the
13 employee elects the accelerated benefit option, the employee shall receive double the
14 weekly benefit amount to which the employee is entitled. However, for each week the
15 employee chooses the accelerated benefit option, the duration of the benefit is reduced
16 by a corresponding week.

17 **Sec. 23.10.735. Coordination of benefits.** (a) Leave taken under the paid
18 parental leave program shall run concurrently with leave that also qualifies as leave
19 under 29 U.S.C. 2601 - 2654 (Family and Medical Leave Act) or AS 39.20.500 -
20 39.20.550.

21 (b) An employer may require that payments for paid parental leave under
22 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 be made concurrently with, or coordinated with, payments
23 or leave provided under a short-term disability policy or a separate bank of paid time
24 off designated specifically for parental leave under a collective bargaining agreement
25 or employer policy. The employer must provide employees written notice of this
26 requirement.

27 (c) An employee may not be required to use or exhaust any accrued vacation
28 leave, sick leave, or other paid time off before or while receiving paid parental leave
29 benefits under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795. However, the employee may choose to use
30 accrued vacation leave, sick leave, or other paid time off while receiving paid parental
31 leave benefits under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 if the total amount received does not

1 exceed the employee's average weekly earnings.

2 (d) Paid parental leave under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 does not relieve an
3 employer from the obligation to comply with more generous terms included in a
4 collective bargaining agreement or employment contract.

5 **Sec. 23.10.740. Disqualification.** In addition to any other penalty that may
6 apply, an employee may be disqualified from paid parental leave benefits for up to one
7 year if the department determines the employee intentionally made a false statement or
8 misrepresentation of a material fact, or intentionally failed to report a material fact, to
9 obtain paid parental leave.

10 **Sec. 23.10.745. Appeals.** The department shall establish a process for an
11 employee to appeal a determination by the department regarding a paid parental leave
12 claim within 90 days after receiving notice of the determination.

13 **Sec. 23.10.750. Recovery of improper payments.** (a) An employee who
14 receives paid parental leave to which the employee is not entitled under AS 23.10.700
15 - 23.10.795 shall repay to the department the amount improperly paid. The department
16 shall deposit the payment in the parental leave fund account established in
17 AS 23.10.705.

18 (b) The department shall promptly prepare and send a notice of determination
19 to the employee at the employee's last address of record, stating that the employee is
20 required to repay the amount of paid parental leave received in error. If the employee
21 does not repay the amount received in error within a reasonable time set by the
22 department, the department shall deduct the amount from future paid parental leave
23 benefits owed to the employee or from the permanent fund dividend of the employee
24 under AS 43.23.140(b)(6). However, the department may waive repayment of all or a
25 portion of the amount of paid parental leave received in error if the department
26 determines that the employee has died or has acted in good faith when claiming and
27 receiving paid parental leave benefits and that requiring repayment would be unfair or
28 inequitable.

29 (c) If the employee has not repaid the paid parental leave benefit or if the
30 amount has not been deducted from future benefits or the permanent fund dividend of
31 the employee within two years after the last day of the year in which payment was

1 made, the commissioner may declare the amount uncollectible.

2 **Sec. 23.10.755. Public education and outreach campaign.** The department
3 shall conduct a public education and outreach campaign to educate employees and
4 employers about the availability of paid parental leave.

5 **Sec. 23.10.760. Employment protection; health insurance maintenance;
6 enforcement.** (a) An eligible employee who takes paid parental leave under
7 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 is entitled to return to the position the employee held when
8 the leave began or to be restored to an equivalent position with equivalent seniority,
9 pay, benefits, working hours, and other terms and conditions of employment,
10 including service credits the employee was entitled to at the start of paid parental
11 leave.

12 (b) During any period of qualified paid parental leave, the employer shall
13 maintain the employee's health care benefits on the same terms as before the leave
14 began. The employee shall continue to pay the employee's share of the cost of any
15 health care benefits.

16 (c) An employer may not take or threaten any adverse employment action or
17 discriminate against the employee for applying for or using paid parental leave under
18 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795.

19 (d) An employer may not take any action that prevents or discourages an
20 employee from taking paid parental leave under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795, including
21 failing to provide timely and complete information required by the department or
22 reporting or threatening to report suspected citizenship or immigration status of the
23 employee or an employee's family member.

24 (e) An employer may not adopt or enforce a policy that allows paid parental
25 leave taken under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 to be considered as an absence that could
26 result in discipline, discharge, demotion, suspension, or any other adverse action
27 against the employee.

28 (f) The department shall establish a complaint process by regulation for an
29 employee who believes the employee's employer violated this section. A complaint
30 must be filed within two years after the violation occurred or the date the employee
31 reasonably should have known about the violation, whichever is later.

1 (g) After granting the employer a reasonable opportunity for a fair hearing, or
2 after the employer acknowledges that a violation occurred, the department may
3 determine whether a violation occurred. If the department determines a violation
4 occurred, the department may order the employer to remedy the violation, which may
5 include

- 6 (1) granting the requested paid parental leave;
- 7 (2) providing up to two years of back pay, plus interest;
- 8 (3) reinstating the employee;
- 9 (4) paying to the complainant attorney fees allowed under the Alaska
10 Rules of Civil Procedure;
- 11 (5) other relief the department considers appropriate.

12 (h) After the department issues a final determination, either party may appeal
13 the determination to a court of competent jurisdiction.

14 **Sec. 23.10.765. Notice to employees.** (a) An employer shall provide written
15 notice to each employee upon hiring, and annually thereafter, of the benefits available
16 under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795. The notice must include

- 17 (1) the employee's right to paid parental leave benefits under
18 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795 and the terms under which the benefits may be used;
- 19 (2) the amount of paid parental leave available;
- 20 (3) the procedure for filing a claim for paid parental leave benefits;
- 21 (4) notice that discrimination and retaliatory personnel actions against
22 the employee for requesting, applying for, or using paid parental leave benefits is
23 prohibited; and
- 24 (5) notice that the employee has a right to file a complaint for a
25 violation of AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795.

26 (b) Each employer shall display and maintain a poster in a conspicuous place
27 accessible to employees at the employer's place of business that contains the
28 information required by this section in a form approved by the department.

29 **Sec. 23.10.770. Child support interception.** (a) Notwithstanding any other
30 provision of AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795, an individual filing a new claim for paid
31 parental leave must disclose whether child support obligations are owed by that

1 individual. If the individual discloses that child support obligations are owed and the
2 individual is determined to be eligible for paid parental leave, the department shall
3 notify the child support services agency of the Department of Revenue that the
4 individual has been determined to be eligible for paid parental leave.

5 (b) The department shall, unless the obligor and obligee agree otherwise,
6 deduct and withhold from paid parental leave compensation payable to an individual
7 who owes child support obligations

8 (1) the amount specified by the individual to the department to be
9 deducted and withheld under this subsection, if neither (2) nor (3) of this subsection is
10 applicable;

11 (2) the amount specified in an agreement submitted to the department
12 under 42 U.S.C. 654(19)(B)(i) (sec. 454(19)(B)(i), Social Security Act), by the child
13 support services agency of the Department of Revenue, unless (3) of this subsection is
14 applicable; or

15 (3) any amount required to be deducted and withheld through legal
16 process, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 662(e) (sec. 462(e), Social Security Act), properly
17 served on the department.

18 (c) The department shall pay an amount deducted and withheld under (b) of
19 this section to the child support services agency of the Department of Revenue.

20 (d) An amount deducted and withheld under (b) of this section shall for all
21 purposes be treated as if it were paid to the individual as paid parental leave and paid
22 by that individual to the child support services agency of the Department of Revenue
23 in satisfaction of the individual's child support obligations.

24 (e) This section applies only if appropriate arrangements have been made for
25 reimbursement by the child support services agency of the Department of Revenue for
26 the administrative costs incurred by the department under this section.

27 (f) In this section, "child support obligation" includes only obligations that are
28 being enforced under a plan described in 42 U.S.C. 654 (sec. 454, Social Security
29 Act), which has been approved by the United States Secretary of Health and Human
30 Services under 42 U.S.C. 651-665 (Part D of Title IV of the Social Security Act).

31 **Sec. 23.10.775. Federal income tax withholding.** (a) If the Internal Revenue

1 Service determines that paid parental leave benefits under AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795
 2 are subject to federal income tax, when an individual files a new claim for paid
 3 parental leave, the department shall advise the individual that

4 (1) paid parental leave compensation benefits are subject to federal
 5 income tax;

6 (2) federal requirements exist pertaining to estimated federal tax
 7 payments;

8 (3) the individual may elect to have federal income tax deducted and
 9 withheld from the individual's payment of paid parental leave at the amount specified
 10 in 26 U.S.C. (Internal Revenue Code); and

11 (4) the individual is permitted to change a previously elected status for
 12 the withholding of federal income tax.

13 (b) Amounts deducted for federal income taxes and withheld from paid
 14 parental leave shall remain in the parental leave fund account established in
 15 AS 23.10.705 until transferred to the federal Internal Revenue Service as payment of
 16 federal income tax.

17 (c) The department shall comply with legal requirements of the federal
 18 Department of Labor and the Internal Revenue Service regarding the deduction and
 19 withholding of federal income tax.

20 **Sec. 23.10.780. Actuarial studies.** Every two years, the commissioner shall
 21 submit to the governor an actuarial study of the benefit structures established under
 22 AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795.

23 **Sec. 23.10.795. Definitions.** In AS 23.10.700 - 23.10.795,

24 (1) "employee" means a person in the service of an employer who is
 25 subject to payment of contributions, or whose employer has elected to make
 26 reimbursement payments, under AS 23.20;

27 (2) "employer" ~~has the meaning given in~~ means an employer that is
 28 subject to payment of contributions under AS 23.20.520;

29 ~~(3) "employment" has the meanings given in~~ 165(a), 23.20.276, or
 30 23.20.278 or reimbursement payments under AS 23.20.525 and 23.20.526 277.

31 ~~* Sec. 2. * Sec. 2.~~ AS 23.15.625 10.710(a), enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, is amended to

1 read:

2 ~~Sec. 23.15.625. Employment assistance and training program account. The~~
3 ~~employment assistance and training program account is established (a) Except as~~
4 ~~provided in the general fund. The commissioner (b) of administration shall separately~~
5 ~~account for this section, in the manner provided in AS 23.20 and for the benefit of the~~
6 ~~paid parental leave program, the department shall collect from each employee an~~
7 ~~amount equal to .15 percent of the wages as set out in AS 23.20.175 [, ON WHICH~~
8 ~~THE EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER~~
9 ~~AS 23.20.290(d)]. The department shall remit money collected under ~~AS 23.15.630~~~~
10 ~~and ~~AS 23.20.290~~ that the department deposits in the general fund. The annual~~
11 ~~estimated balance in the account may be appropriated~~this subsection in accordance
12 with AS 37.10.050.

13 * Sec. 3. AS 23.10.710, enacted by the legislature to sec. 1 of this Act, is amended by
14 adding new subsections to read:

15 (d) The department may implement an employer-paid parental leave
16 surcharge. If the department to implement AS 23.15.620 – 23.15.660. The legislature
17 may appropriate implements an employer surcharge, the lapsing balance of the
18 account department shall, in the manner provided in AS 23.20, collect an amount equal
19 to .20 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175, on which the employer is
20 required to make contributions under AS 23.20.290(c). The department shall remit
21 money collected under this subsection in accordance with AS 37.10.050.

22 (e) If the department implements an employer-paid parental leave surcharge,
23 the department shall credit against the amount owed by an employer under (d) of this
24 section an amount equal to the contributions paid by the employer under
25 AS 23.20.290(c). If the amount of the credit equals or exceeds the amount owed under
26 (d) of this section, the employer's liability under (d) of this section is zero.

27 * Sec. 4. AS 23.10.710, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, is amended by adding a new
28 subsection to read:

29 (f) Notwithstanding AS 23.20.290(d), the department shall credit each
30 employee with an amount equal to the amount collected from the employee under (a)
31 of this section against unemployment contributions owed by the employee under

AS 23.20.

* Sec. 5. AS 23.15.630(a) is amended to read:

(a) In the manner provided in AS 23.20, the department shall collect from each employee an amount equal to one-tenth of one percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175 [, ON WHICH THE EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER AS 23.20.290(d)]. The department shall remit to the Department of Revenue, in accordance with AS 37.10.050, money collected under this subsection.

* Sec. 6. AS 23.15.630 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

(d) The department may implement an employer state training and employment program surcharge. If the department implements an employer surcharge, the department shall, in the manner provided in AS 23.20, collect an amount equal to .10 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175, on which the employer is required to make contributions under AS 23.20.290(c). The department shall remit money collected under this subsection in accordance with AS 37.10.050.

(e) If the department implements an employer state training and employment program surcharge, the department shall credit against the amount owed by an employer under (d) of this section an amount equal to the contributions paid by the employer under AS 23.20.290(c) above .20 percent. If the amount of the credit equals or exceeds the amount owed under (d) of this section, the employer's liability under (d) of this section is zero.

* Sec. 7. AS 23.15.835(a) is amended to read:

(a) In the manner provided in AS 23.20 and for the benefit of the program, the department shall collect from each employee an amount equal to .25 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175 [, ON WHICH THE EMPLOYEE IS REQUIRED TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER AS 23.20.290(d)]. The department shall remit to the Department of Revenue, in accordance with AS 37.10.050, money collected under this subsection.

* Sec. 8. AS 23.20.135(b) is amended to read:

(b) The department, or a designee of the department, shall immediately deposit, upon receipt, all money payable to the fund in the clearing account. Refunds

1 of contributions erroneously collected and payable under AS 23.20.225 and
 2 23.20.526(a)(11) may be paid from the clearing account in the same manner, or from
 3 the training and building fund. Interest and penalty payments may not be refunded
 4 from the unemployment compensation fund—established in AS 23.20.130.. After
 5 clearance, all money in the clearing account [, EXCEPT FOR THAT PORTION OF
 6 EMPLOYEE CONTRIBUTIONS UNDER AS 23.20.290(d) USED TO PAY
 7 INTEREST ON ADVANCES RECEIVED UNDER AS 23.20.140,] shall be
 8 immediately deposited with the United States Secretary of the Treasury to the credit of
 9 the account of this state in the unemployment trust fund established and maintained
 10 under 42 U.S.C. 1104 (sec. 904, Social Security Act), as amended.

11 * **Sec. 39.** AS 23.20.290(c) is amended to read:

12 (c) The rate of contributions for each employer is a percentage of the average
 13 benefit cost rate multiplied by the employer's experience factor set out in column C of
 14 the table in this subsection opposite the employer's applicable rate class set out in
 15 column A plus the fund solvency adjustment surcharge required under (f) of this
 16 section. That percentage is 76 percent beginning January 1, 2009, ~~and~~**[AND]** 73
 17 percent beginning January 1, 2010. ~~However, except as provided in (h) and (i), and~~
 18 **100 percent beginning January 1, 2027. Notwithstanding any other provision of**
 19 **this section, chapter, including the application of credits [HOWEVER],** the rate of
 20 contributions for an employer

21 **(1) may not be less than one percent or more than exceed [BE LESS**
 22 **THAN ONE PERCENT OR MORE THAN]** six and one-half percent. ~~The rate of~~
 23 ~~contributions for an employer;~~

24 **(2) may not be less than zero percent;**

25 **(3) with less than four quarters of experience may not be less than**
 26 **one percent;**

27 **(4) [. THE RATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR AN EMPLOYER]** in
 28 rate class 21 may not be less than 5.4 percent. ~~The rate of contributions for an~~
 29 ~~employer; and~~

30 **(5) [. THE RATE OF CONTRIBUTIONS FOR AN EMPLOYER]**
 31 must be rounded to the nearest 1/100th of one percent.

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2	5	10	.45
3	10	15	.50
4	15	20	.55
5	20	25	.60
6	25	30	.65
7	30	35	.70
8	35	40	.80
9	40	45	.90
10	45	50	1.00
11	50	55	1.00
12	55	60	1.10
13	60	65	1.20
14	65	70	1.30
15	70	75	1.35
16	75	80	1.40
17	80	85	1.45
18	85	90	1.50
19	90	95	1.55
20	95	99.99	1.60
21	99.99		1.65.

* ~~Sec. 4. AS 23.20.290 is amended by adding new subsections to read:~~

~~(g) The department may implement special employer contributions if the department determines that implementing special employer contributions is consistent with maintaining fund solvency. If the department implements special employer contributions it shall, in the manner provided in this chapter, collect from each~~

employer

~~(1) an amount equal to .20 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175, on which the employer is required to make contributions under (c) of this section and remit the money collected under this paragraph to the parental leave fund account established under AS 23.10.705; and~~

~~(2) an amount equal to .10 percent of the wages, as set out in AS 23.20.175, on which the employer is required to make contributions under (c) of this section and remit the money collected under this paragraph to the employment assistance and training program account established under AS 23.15.625.~~

~~(h) Notwithstanding (c) of this section, the department shall reduce the contributions owed by an employer under this chapter by an amount equal to the amount collected under (g) of this section.~~

~~(i) After implementing the special employer contributions described in (g) of this section, the department may reduce the employer contribution to a rate of not less than .50 percent if the department determines that reducing the rate is consistent with maintaining fund solvency¹⁰.~~

~~* Sec. 5.~~ AS 23.20.350(d) is amended to read:

(d) An individual who is eligible under (a) of this section is entitled to receive the weekly benefit amount set out in column (B) of the table in this subsection that is opposite the amount set out in column (A) of the individual's base period wages determined under (c) of this section:

(A)		(B)
Base Period Wages		Weekly Benefit
At least	But less than	Amount
0	2,500	\$ 0
2,500	2,750	56
2,750	3,000	58
3,000	3,250	60
3,250	3,500	62
3,500	3,750	64

1	3,750	4,000	66
2	4,000	4,250	68
3	4,250	4,500	70
4	4,500	4,750	72
5	4,750	5,000	74
6	5,000	5,250	76
7	5,250	5,500	78
8	5,500	5,750	80
9	5,750	6,000	82
10	6,000	6,250	84
11	6,250	6,500	86
12	6,500	6,750	88
13	6,750	7,000	90
14	7,000	7,250	92
15	7,250	7,500	94
16	7,500	7,750	96
17	7,750	8,000	98
18	8,000	8,250	100
19	8,250	8,500	102
20	8,500	8,750	104
21	8,750	9,000	106
22	9,000	9,250	108
23	9,250	9,500	110
24	9,500	9,750	112
25	9,750	10,000	114
26	10,000	10,250	116
27	10,250	10,500	118
28	10,500	10,750	120
29	10,750	11,000	122
30	11,000	11,250	124
31	11,250	11,500	126

1	11,500	11,750	128
2	11,750	12,000	130
3	12,000	12,250	132
4	12,250	12,500	134
5	12,500	12,750	136
6	12,750	13,000	138
7	13,000	13,250	140
8	13,250	13,500	142
9	13,500	13,750	144
10	13,750	14,000	146
11	14,000	14,250	148
12	14,250	14,500	150
13	14,500	14,750	152
14	14,750	15,000	154
15	15,000	15,250	156
16	15,250	15,500	158
17	15,500	15,750	160
18	15,750	16,000	162
19	16,000	16,250	164
20	16,250	16,500	166
21	16,500	16,750	168
22	16,750	17,000	170
23	17,000	17,250	172
24	17,250	17,500	174
25	17,500	17,750	176
26	17,750	18,000	178
27	18,000	18,250	180
28	18,250	18,500	182
29	18,500	18,750	184
30	18,750	19,000	186
31	19,000	19,250	188

1	19,250	19,500	190
2	19,500	19,750	192
3	19,750	20,000	194
4	20,000	20,250	196
5	20,250	20,500	198
6	20,500	20,750	200
7	20,750	21,000	202
8	21,000	21,250	204
9	21,250	21,500	<u>207</u> [206]
10	21,500	21,750	<u>209</u> [208]
11	21,750	22,000	<u>212</u> [210]
12	22,000	22,250	<u>214</u> [212]
13	22,250	22,500	<u>216</u> [214]
14	22,500	22,750	<u>219</u> [216]
15	22,750	23,000	<u>221</u> [218]
16	23,000	23,250	<u>224</u> [220]
17	23,250	23,500	<u>226</u> [222]
18	23,500	23,750	<u>228</u> [224]
19	23,750	24,000	<u>231</u> [226]
20	24,000	24,250	<u>233</u> [228]
21	24,250	24,500	<u>236</u> [230]
22	24,500	24,750	<u>238</u> [232]
23	24,750	25,000	<u>240</u> [234]
24	25,000	25,250	<u>243</u> [236]
25	25,250	25,500	<u>245</u> [238]
26	25,500	25,750	<u>248</u> [240]
27	25,750	26,000	<u>250</u> [242]
28	26,000	26,250	<u>252</u> [244]
29	26,250	26,500	<u>255</u> [246]
30	26,500	26,750	<u>257</u> [248]
31	26,750	27,000	<u>260</u> [250]

1	27,000	27,250	<u>262</u> [252]
2	27,250	27,500	<u>264</u> [254]
3	27,500	27,750	<u>267</u> [256]
4	27,750	28,000	<u>269</u> [258]
5	28,000	28,250	<u>272</u> [260]
6	28,250	28,500	<u>274</u> [262]
7	28,500	28,750	<u>276</u> [264]
8	28,750	29,000	<u>279</u> [266]
9	29,000	29,250	<u>281</u> [268]
10	29,250	29,500	<u>284</u> [270]
11	29,500	29,750	<u>286</u> [272]
12	29,750	30,000	<u>288</u> [274]
13	30,000	30,250	<u>291</u> [276]
14	30,250	30,500	<u>293</u> [278]
15	30,500	30,750	<u>296</u> [280]
16	30,750	31,000	<u>298</u> [282]
17	31,000	31,250	<u>300</u> [284]
18	31,250	31,500	<u>303</u> [286]
19	31,500	31,750	<u>305</u> [288]
20	31,750	32,000	<u>308</u> [290]
21	32,000	32,250	<u>310</u> [292]
22	32,250	32,500	<u>313</u> [294]
23	32,500	32,750	<u>315</u> [296]
24	32,750	33,000	<u>317</u> [298]
25	33,000	33,250	<u>320</u> [300]
26	33,250	33,500	<u>322</u> [302]
27	33,500	33,750	<u>325</u> [304]
28	33,750	34,000	<u>327</u> [306]
29	34,000	34,250	<u>329</u> [308]
30	34,250	34,500	<u>332</u> [310]
31	34,500	34,750	<u>334</u> [312]

1	34,750	35,000	<u>337</u> [314]
2	35,000	35,250	<u>339</u> [316]
3	35,250	35,500	<u>341</u> [318]
4	35,500	35,750	<u>344</u> [320]
5	35,750	36,000	<u>346</u> [322]
6	36,000	36,250	<u>349</u> [324]
7	36,250	36,500	<u>351</u> [326]
8	36,500	36,750	<u>353</u> [328]
9	36,750	37,000	<u>356</u> [330]
10	37,000	37,250	<u>358</u> [332]
11	37,250	37,500	<u>361</u> [334]
12	37,500	37,750	<u>363</u> [336]
13	37,750	38,000	<u>365</u> [338]
14	38,000	38,250	<u>368</u> [340]
15	38,250	38,500	<u>370</u> [342]
16	38,500	38,750	<u>373</u> [344]
17	38,750	39,000	<u>375</u> [346]
18	39,000	39,250	<u>377</u> [348]
19	39,250	39,500	<u>380</u> [350]
20	39,500	39,750	<u>382</u> [352]
21	39,750	40,000	<u>385</u> [354]
22	40,000	40,250	<u>387</u> [356]
23	40,250	40,500	<u>389</u> [358]
24	40,500	40,750	<u>392</u> [360]
25	40,750	41,000	<u>394</u> [362]
26	41,000	41,250	<u>397</u> [364]
27	41,250	41,500	<u>399</u> [366]
28	41,500	41,750	<u>401</u> [368]
29	41,750	42,000	<u>404</u> [370]
30	42,000	<u>42,250</u>	<u>406</u>
31	<u>42,250</u>	<u>42,500</u>	<u>409</u>

1	<u>42,500</u>	<u>42,750</u>	<u>411</u>
2	<u>42,750</u>	<u>43,000</u>	<u>413</u>
3	<u>43,000</u>	<u>43,250</u>	<u>416</u>
4	<u>43,250</u>	<u>43,500</u>	<u>418</u>
5	<u>43,500</u>	<u>43,750</u>	<u>421</u>
6	<u>43,750</u>	<u>44,000</u>	<u>423</u>
7	<u>44,000</u>	<u>44,250</u>	<u>425</u>
8	<u>44,250</u>	<u>44,500</u>	<u>428</u>
9	<u>44,500</u>	<u>44,750</u>	<u>430</u>
10	<u>44,750</u>	<u>45,000</u>	<u>433</u>
11	<u>45,000</u>	<u>45,250</u>	<u>435</u>
12	<u>45,250</u>	<u>45,500</u>	<u>438</u>
13	<u>45,500</u>	<u>45,750</u>	<u>440</u>
14	<u>45,750</u>	<u>46,000</u>	<u>442</u>
15	<u>46,000</u>	<u>46,250</u>	<u>445</u>
16	<u>46,250</u>	<u>46,500</u>	<u>447</u>
17	<u>46,500</u>	<u>46,750</u>	<u>450</u>
18	<u>46,750</u>	<u>47,000</u>	<u>452</u>
19	<u>47,000</u>	<u>47,250</u>	<u>454</u>
20	<u>47,250</u>	<u>47,500</u>	<u>457</u>
21	<u>47,500</u>	<u>47,750</u>	<u>459</u>
22	<u>47,750</u>	<u>48,000</u>	<u>462</u>
23	<u>48,000</u>	<u>48,250</u>	<u>464</u>
24	<u>48,250</u>	<u>48,500</u>	<u>466</u>
25	<u>48,500</u>	<u>48,750</u>	<u>469</u>
26	<u>48,750</u>	<u>49,000</u>	<u>471</u>
27	<u>49,000</u>	<u>49,250</u>	<u>474</u>
28	<u>49,250</u>	<u>49,500</u>	<u>476</u>
29	<u>49,500</u>	<u>49,750</u>	<u>478</u>
30	<u>49,750</u>	<u>50,000</u>	<u>481</u>
31	<u>50,000</u>	<u>50,250</u>	<u>483</u>

1	<u>50,250</u>	<u>50,500</u>	<u>486</u>
2	<u>50,500</u>	<u>50,750</u>	<u>488</u>
3	<u>50,750</u>	<u>51,000</u>	<u>490</u>
4	<u>51,000</u>	<u>51,250</u>	<u>493</u>
5	<u>51,250</u>	<u>51,500</u>	<u>495</u>
6	<u>51,500</u>	<u>51,750</u>	<u>498</u>
7	<u>51,750</u>	<u>52,000</u>	<u>500</u>
8	<u>52,000</u>	<u>52,250</u>	<u>502</u>
9	<u>52,250</u>	<u>52,500</u>	<u>505</u>
10	<u>52,500</u>	<u>52,750</u>	<u>507</u>
11	<u>52,750</u>	<u>53,000</u>	<u>510</u>
12	<u>53,000</u>	<u>53,250</u>	<u>512</u>
13	<u>53,250</u>	<u>53,500</u>	<u>514</u>
14	<u>53,500</u>	<u>53,750</u>	<u>517</u>
15	<u>53,750</u>	<u>54,000</u>	<u>519</u>
16	<u>54,000</u>	<u>54,250</u>	<u>522</u>
17	<u>54,250</u>	<u>54,500</u>	<u>524</u>
18	<u>54,500</u>	<u>54,750</u>	<u>526</u>
19	<u>54,750</u>	<u>55,000</u>	<u>529</u>
20	<u>55,000</u>	<u>55,250</u>	<u>531</u>
21	<u>55,250</u>	<u>55,500</u>	<u>534</u>
22	<u>55,500</u>	<u>55,750</u>	<u>536</u>
23	<u>55,750</u>	<u>56,000</u>	<u>538</u>
24	<u>56,000</u>	<u>56,250</u>	<u>541</u>
25	<u>56,250</u>	<u>56,500</u>	<u>543</u>
26	<u>56,500</u>	<u>56,750</u>	<u>546</u>
27	<u>56,750</u>	<u>57,000</u>	<u>548</u>
28	<u>57,000</u>	<u>57,250</u>	<u>550</u>
29	<u>57,250</u>	<u>57,500</u>	<u>553</u>
30	<u>57,500</u>	<u>57,750</u>	<u>555</u>
31	<u>57,750</u>	<u>58,000</u>	<u>558</u>

1	<u>58,000</u>	<u>58,250</u>	<u>560</u>
2	<u>58,250</u>	<u>58,500</u>	<u>563</u>
3	<u>58,500</u>	<u>58,750</u>	<u>565</u>
4	<u>58,750</u>	<u>59,000</u>	<u>567</u>
5	<u>59,000</u>	<u>59,250</u>	<u>570</u>
6	<u>59,250</u>	<u>59,500</u>	<u>572</u>
7	<u>59,500</u>	<u>59,750</u>	<u>575</u>
8	<u>59,750</u>	<u>60,000</u>	<u>577</u>
9	<u>60,000</u>	<u>60,250</u>	<u>579</u>
10	<u>60,250</u>	<u>60,500</u>	<u>582</u>
11	<u>60,500</u>	<u>60,750</u>	<u>584</u>
12	<u>60,750</u>	<u>61,000</u>	<u>587</u>
13	<u>61,000</u>	<u>61,250</u>	<u>589</u>
14	<u>61,250</u>	<u>61,500</u>	<u>591</u>
15	<u>61,500</u>	<u>61,750</u>	<u>594</u>
16	<u>61,750</u>	<u>62,000</u>	<u>596</u>
17	<u>62,000</u>	<u>62,250</u>	<u>599</u>
18	<u>62,250</u>	<u>62,500</u>	<u>601</u>
19	<u>62,500</u>	<u>62,750</u>	<u>603</u>
20	<u>62,750</u>	<u>63,000</u>	<u>606</u>
21	<u>63,000</u>	<u>63,250</u>	<u>608</u>
22	<u>63,250</u>	<u>63,500</u>	<u>611</u>
23	<u>63,500</u>	<u>63,750</u>	<u>613</u>
24	<u>63,750</u>	<u>64,000</u>	<u>615</u>
25	<u>64,000</u>	<u>64,250</u>	<u>618</u>
26	<u>64,250</u>	<u>64,500</u>	<u>620</u>
27	<u>64,500</u>	<u>64,750</u>	<u>623</u>
28	<u>64,750</u>	<u>65,000</u>	<u>625</u>
29	<u>65,000</u>	<u>65,250</u>	<u>627</u>
30	<u>65,250</u>	<u>65,500</u>	<u>630</u>
31	<u>65,500</u>	<u>65,750</u>	<u>632</u>

1	<u>65,750</u>	<u>66,000</u>	<u>635</u>
2	<u>66,000</u>	<u>66,250</u>	<u>637</u>
3	<u>66,250</u>	<u>66,500</u>	<u>639</u>
4	<u>66,500</u>	<u>66,750</u>	<u>642</u>
5	<u>66,750</u>	<u>67,000</u>	<u>644</u>
6	<u>67,000</u>	<u>67,250</u>	<u>647</u>
7	<u>67,250</u>	<u>67,500</u>	<u>649</u>
8	<u>67,500</u>	<u>67,750</u>	<u>651</u>
9	<u>67,750</u>	<u>68,000</u>	<u>654</u>
10	<u>68,000</u>	<u>68,250</u>	<u>656</u>
11	<u>68,250</u>	<u>68,500</u>	<u>659</u>
12	<u>68,500</u>	<u>68,750</u>	<u>661</u>
13	<u>68,750</u>	<u>69,000</u>	<u>663</u>
14	<u>69,000</u>	<u>69,250</u>	<u>666</u>
15	<u>69,250</u>	<u>69,500</u>	<u>668</u>
16	<u>69,500</u>	<u>69,750</u>	<u>671</u>
17	<u>69,750</u>	<u>70,000</u>	<u>673</u>
18	<u>70,000</u>	<u>70,250</u>	<u>675</u>
19	<u>70,250</u>	<u>70,500</u>	<u>678</u>
20	<u>70,500</u>	<u>70,750</u>	<u>680</u>
21	<u>70,750</u>	<u>71,000</u>	<u>683</u>
22	<u>71,000</u>	<u>71,250</u>	<u>685</u>
23	<u>71,250</u>	<u>71,500</u>	<u>688</u>
24	<u>71,500</u>	<u>71,750</u>	<u>690</u>
25	<u>71,750</u>	<u>72,000</u>	<u>692</u>
26	<u>72,000</u>	<u>72,250</u>	<u>695</u>
27	<u>72,250</u>	<u>72,500</u>	<u>697</u>
28	<u>72,500</u>	<u>72,750</u>	<u>700</u>
29	<u>72,750</u>	<u>73,000</u>	<u>702</u>
30	<u>73,000</u>	<u>73,250</u>	<u>704</u>
31	<u>73,250</u>	<u>73,500</u>	<u>707</u>

1	<u>73,500</u>	<u>73,750</u>	<u>709</u>
2	<u>73,750</u>	<u>74,000</u>	<u>712</u>
3	<u>74,000</u>	<u>74,250</u>	<u>714</u>
4	<u>74,250</u>	<u>74,500</u>	<u>716</u>
5	<u>74,500</u>	<u>74,750</u>	<u>719</u>
6	<u>74,750</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>721</u>
7	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,250</u>	<u>724</u>
8	<u>75,250</u>	<u>75,500</u>	<u>726</u>
9	<u>75,500</u>	<u>75,750</u>	<u>728</u>
10	<u>75,750</u>	<u>76,000</u>	<u>731</u>
11	<u>76,000</u>	<u>76,250</u>	<u>733</u>
12	<u>76,250</u>	<u>76,500</u>	<u>736</u>
13	<u>76,500</u>	<u>76,750</u>	<u>738</u>
14	<u>76,750</u>	<u>77,000</u>	<u>740</u>
15	<u>77,000</u>	<u>77,250</u>	<u>743</u>
16	<u>77,250</u>	<u>77,500</u>	<u>745</u>
17	<u>77,500</u>	<u>77,750</u>	<u>748</u>
18	<u>77,750</u>	<u>78,000</u>	<u>750</u>
19	<u>78,000</u>	<u>78,250</u>	<u>752</u>
20	<u>78,250</u>	<u>78,500</u>	<u>755</u>
21	<u>78,500</u>	<u>78,750</u>	<u>757</u>
22	<u>78,750</u>	<u>79,000</u>	<u>760</u>
23	<u>79,000</u>	<u>79,250</u>	<u>762</u>
24	<u>79,250</u>	<u>79,500</u>	<u>764</u>
25	<u>79,500</u>	<u>79,750</u>	<u>767</u>
26	<u>79,750</u>	<u>80,000</u>	<u>769</u>
27	<u>80,000</u>	<u>80,250</u>	<u>772</u>
28	<u>80,250</u>	<u>80,500</u>	<u>774</u>
29	<u>80,500</u>	<u>80,750</u>	<u>776</u>
30	<u>80,750</u>	<u>81,000</u>	<u>779</u>
31	<u>81,000</u>	<u>81,250</u>	<u>781</u>

1	<u>81,250</u>	<u>81,500</u>	<u>784</u>
2	<u>81,500</u>	<u>81,750</u>	<u>786</u>
3	<u>81,750</u>	<u>82,000</u>	<u>788</u>
4	<u>82,000</u>	<u>82,250</u>	<u>791</u>
5	<u>82,250</u>	<u>82,500</u>	<u>793</u>
6	<u>82,500</u>	<u>82,750</u>	<u>796</u>
7	<u>82,750</u>	<u>83,000</u>	<u>798</u>
8	<u>83,000</u>	<u>83,250</u>	<u>800</u>
9	<u>83,250</u>	<u>83,500</u>	<u>803</u>
10	<u>83,500</u>	<u>83,750</u>	<u>805</u>
11	<u>83,750</u>	<u>84,000</u>	<u>808</u>
12	<u>84,000</u>	<u>84,250</u>	<u>810</u>
13	<u>84,250</u>	<u>84,500</u>	<u>813</u>
14	<u>84,500</u>	<u>84,750</u>	<u>815</u>
15	<u>84,750</u>	<u>85,000</u>	<u>817</u>
16	<u>85,000</u>		<u>817</u> [370].

* **Sec. 611.** AS 23.20.350(f) is amended to read:

(f) An individual who establishes a benefit year is eligible for an allowance for dependents in addition to the individual's weekly benefit amount. The department may require an individual claiming or receiving an allowance for dependents to produce income tax returns, birth certificates, notices of adoption or custody, social security account number of spouse, verification of support documents, or other information necessary to verify that the allowance is payable to the individual. The allowance for dependents

(1) is **\$72** [\$24] per week for each dependent, except that the total allowance for dependents paid to an individual may not exceed **\$216** [\$72] for each week of unemployment;

(2) is payable beginning with the week during the benefit year in which the individual claims an allowance for the dependent and is payable for the remainder of the individual's eligibility for regular, extended, or supplemental payments during the benefit year;

1 (3) may not be claimed for a new dependent after the end of the benefit
2 year or after the exhaustion of regular benefits in the benefit year [;

3 (4) REPEALED

4 (5) REPEALED].

5 * **Sec. 712.** AS 23.20.350 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (h) On January 1 of each year, the department shall increase the maximum
7 base period wages in (d) of this section and the allowance for eligible dependents
8 under (f) of this section by a percentage equal to the average percentage of increase
9 over the first three of the preceding four calendar years in all items of the Consumer
10 Price Index for all urban consumers for urban Alaska prepared by the United States
11 Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, and calculate new weekly benefit
12 amounts accordingly. The new base period wage amount shall be rounded to the
13 nearest \$250. The department may not decrease the base period wage amount or the
14 allowance for eligible dependents.

15 * **Sec. 813.** AS 25.27.020(a) is amended to read:

16 (a) The agency shall

17 (1) seek enforcement of child support orders of the state in other
18 jurisdictions and shall obtain, enforce, and administer the orders in this state;

19 (2) adopt regulations to carry out the purposes of this chapter and
20 AS 25.25, including regulations that establish

21 (A) procedures for hearings conducted under AS 25.27.170 and
22 for administrative enforcement of support orders;

23 (B) subject to AS 25.27.025 and to federal law, a uniform rate
24 of interest on arrearages of support that shall be charged the obligor upon
25 notice if child support payments are 10 or more days overdue or if payment is
26 made by a check backed by insufficient funds; however, an obligor may not be
27 charged interest on late payment of a child support obligation, other than a
28 payment on arrearages, if the obligor is

29 (i) employed and income is being withheld from the
30 obligor's wages under an income withholding order;

31 (ii) receiving unemployment compensation and child

1 support obligations are being withheld from the obligor's
2 unemployment payments under AS 23.20.401; [OR]

3 (iii) receiving compensation for disabilities under
4 AS 23.30 and child support obligations are being withheld from the
5 obligor's compensation payments; **or**

6 **(iv) receiving paid parental leave under**
7 **AS 23.10.770 and child support obligations are being withheld**
8 **from the obligor's compensation payments;**

9 (C) procedures for establishing and disestablishing paternity
10 under AS 25.27.165 and 25.27.166, including procedures for hearings; and

11 (D) procedures under which the agency shall enter into
12 contracts or agreements with financial institutions, including brokerage houses,
13 insurance companies, and other companies providing individual investment,
14 transaction, or deposit accounts, doing business in the state to develop and
15 operate an automated data match system as required by 42 U.S.C. 666(a)(17);
16 the agency may pay a reasonable fee to a financial institution for conducting a
17 data match under a contract or agreement under this subparagraph; the fee may
18 not exceed the actual costs incurred by the financial institution for conducting
19 the data match;

20 (3) administer and enforce AS 25.25 (Uniform Interstate Family
21 Support Act);

22 (4) establish, enforce, and administer child support obligations
23 administratively under this chapter;

24 (5) administer the state plan required under 42 U.S.C. 651 - 669 (Title
25 IV-D, Social Security Act) as amended;

26 (6) disburse support payments collected by the agency to the obligee,
27 together with interest charged under (2)(B) of this subsection;

28 (7) establish and enforce administratively under this chapter, or
29 through the superior courts of the state, child support orders from other jurisdictions
30 pertaining to obligors within the state;

31 (8) enforce and administer spousal support orders if a spousal support

1 obligation has been established with respect to the spouse and if the support obligation
2 established with respect to the child of that spouse is also being administered;

3 (9) obtain a medical support order that meets the requirements of
4 AS 25.27.060(c) and 25.27.063;

5 (10) act on behalf of the Department of Health in the enforcement of
6 AS 47.07.025(b);

7 (11) establish or disestablish, administratively under AS 25.27.165 -
8 25.27.166 or through court action, the paternity of a child;

9 (12) promptly provide to the Bureau of Vital Statistics, in a format
10 approved by the bureau, any final agency decision administratively establishing or
11 disestablishing the paternity of a child born in this state; and

12 (13) act as the central registry for all child support orders and exchange
13 information as required by federal law.

14 * **Sec. 914.** AS 37.05.146(c) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

15 (~~8887~~) parental leave fund account (AS 23.10.705).

16 * **Sec. 1015.** AS 23.15.630(b), 23.15.835(b); and AS 23.20.290(d) are repealed.

17 * **Sec. 16.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
18 read:

19 COMMENCEMENT OF PAID PARENTAL LEAVE. Eligible employees may
20 receive paid parental leave beginning January 1, 2027, for qualifying purposes that occur on
21 or after January 1, 2027.

22 * **Sec. H17.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section
23 to read:

24 TRANSITION: ACTUARIAL STUDIES. The commissioner of labor and workforce
25 development shall submit to the governor the first actuarial study required by AS 23.10.780,
26 enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, on December 1, 2026.

27 * **Sec. 18.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
28 read:

29 STATE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE LAW FEDERAL APPROVAL. To the
30 extent necessary to implement this Act, the Department of Labor and Workforce
31 Development shall submit for federal approval the changes to the unemployment insurance

1 laws of the state enacted by secs. 2, 3, 5 - 12, and 15 of this Act.

2 * **Sec. 19.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
3 read:

4 CONDITIONAL EFFECT; NOTIFICATION. (a) Sections 2, 3, 5 - 12, and 15 of this
5 Act take effect only if, and to the extent that, on or before July 1, 2027, the United States
6 Secretary of Labor approves the changes to the unemployment insurance laws of this state
7 under 26 U.S.C. 3304 (Federal Unemployment Tax Act), or determines that approval is not
8 necessary.

9 (b) AS 23.10.710(f), enacted by sec. 4 of this Act, takes effect only if the United
10 States Secretary of Labor does not approve the repeal of AS 23.20.290(d) by sec. 15 of this
11 Act.

12 (c) The commissioner of labor and workforce development shall notify the revisor of
13 statutes in writing within 30 days after the United States Secretary of Labor approves or does
14 not approve the changes to the unemployment insurance laws of this state.

15 * **Sec. 20.** If secs. 2, 3, 5 - 12, and 15 of this Act take effect, they take effect on January 1,
16 2027, or the day after the United States Secretary of Labor approves the changes to the
17 unemployment insurance laws of this state, whichever is later.

18 * **Sec. 21.** If sec. 4 of this Act takes effect, it takes effect on the day after the day the United
19 States Secretary of Labor does not approve the repeal of AS 23.20.290(d) by sec. 15 of this
20 Act.

21 * **Sec. 22.** Section 18 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).