



# **House Bill 146: Regulation of Fireworks**

## **House State Affairs**

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# What does the bill do?

- House Bill (HB 146) repeals and reenacts Alaska Statute (AS) 18.72.010 for the regulation of fireworks
  - The Department of Public Safety is required to adopt regulations to establish minimum standards for the sale and use of fireworks
    - International Fire Code (IFC) standards
    - National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) codes
    - Federal Regulations
- Repeals
  - AS 18.72.020: Regulation of salable fireworks
  - AS 18.72.030: Fireworks wholesaler's license
  - AS 18.72.100: Definitions





# Why is the bill needed?



- Existing statute (AS 18.72) originally adopted over 50 years ago without being substantially amended
- Out of date with modern regulations set at the national and international level
- Statutory changes are not easily undertaken



# What is changed under this bill?

Criminal penalties under AS 18.72.040 would be based on failure to comply with regulations under AS 18.72.010 instead of the Fire Safety Code

Regulations under AS 18.72.010 would supersede the provisions of an ordinance adopted by a city or borough, whether before or after May 23, 1969, that are less restrictive than the regulations

The Fire Safety Code defined in AS 18.72.100 would be repealed and redefined in regulations adopted by the Department of Public, Fire and Life Safety Division



# Thank You



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