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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 125

Under the authority of art. III, sec. 23, of the Alaska Constitution, and in accordance with AS 24.08.210, I order the following:

*** Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

FINDINGS. As governor, I find that it is in the best interests of efficient administration to transfer the functions of the Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services to the Department of Health. Additionally, with the transfer of these functions, I find there is no longer a need for the Alaska Council on Emergency Medical Services and its elimination is in the best interests of efficient administration.

*** Sec. 2.** AS 18.08 is amended by adding a new section to read:

Sec. 18.08.025. Statewide emergency medical services system. The commissioner shall advise the governor with regard to the planning and implementation of a statewide emergency medical services system.

*** Sec. 3.** AS 18.08.070 is amended to read:

Sec. 18.08.070. Special committees. The commissioner [COUNCIL] may create special committees or task forces [OUTSIDE ITS MEMBERSHIP] and may appoint persons who are not employees [MEMBERS] of the department [COUNCIL] to serve as advisors or consultants to any committee created to carry out the purposes of this chapter [THE COUNCIL].

*** Sec. 4.** AS 18.08.100(d) is amended to read:

(d) An individual certified or licensed under this chapter may not be required to document a barrier to an in-person visit to provide health care services through telehealth. The department [OR THE COUNCIL] may not limit the physical setting from which an individual certified or licensed under this chapter may provide health care services through telehealth.

*** Sec. 5.** AS 18.08.015(d), 18.08.020, 18.08.030, 18.08.040, 18.08.050, and 18.08.060 are

1 repealed.

2 * **Sec. 6.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
3 read:

4 TRANSITION. (a) The terms of the members of the Alaska Council on Emergency
5 Medical Services established under AS 18.08.020 terminate on the effective date if this Order.

6 (b) Litigation, hearings, investigations, and other proceedings pending under a law
7 repealed or amended by this Order, or in connection with a function transferred by this Order,
8 continue in effect and may be completed notwithstanding a transfer, repeal, or amendment
9 provided for in this Order.

10 (c) Contracts, rights, liabilities, and obligations created by or under a law repealed or
11 affected by this Order, and in effect on the effective date of this Order, remain in effect
12 notwithstanding this Order's taking effect.

13 (d) Records, equipment, appropriations, and other property of an agency of the state
14 whose functions are transferred under this Order shall be transferred to implement the
15 provisions of this Order.

16 * **Sec. 7.** This Order takes effect July 1, 2024.

DATED:_____

Mike Dunleavy
Governor