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## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 125

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

26       \* **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1       repealed.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:\_\_\_\_\_

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Mike Dunleavy  
Governor