

SENATE BILL NO. 140

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR STEDMAN

Introduced: 3/24/25

Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to a matching grant program for fire station construction and**
2 **renovation; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 29.60 is amended by adding new sections to read:

5 **Article 6A. Fire Station Grant Program.**

6 **Sec. 29.60.750. Fire station grant program.** (a) A matching grant program is
7 established in the department for the purpose of funding fire station construction and
8 renovation.

9 (b) A person in charge of construction or renovation of an eligible fire station
10 may apply to the department for a matching grant under regulations adopted by the
11 department.

12 (c) Subject to appropriation, the department shall award not more than 50
13 percent of the total proposed grant project costs to an eligible applicant.

14 **Sec. 29.60.760. Fire station grant fund.** (a) The fire station grant fund is

1 established in the department and consists of appropriations to the fund. The
2 legislature may appropriate to the fund income earned on money in the fund.

3 (b) Money appropriated to the fire station grant fund may be expended by the
4 department for fire station construction and renovation matching grants without
5 further appropriation. Money in the fund does not lapse and remains available for
6 expenditure in successive fiscal years.

7 (c) Each fiscal year, the department shall use an amount equal to at least 50
8 percent of the balance of the fire station grant fund on June 30 of the preceding fiscal
9 year for fire station construction and renovation matching grants.

10 **Sec. 29.60.770. Regulations.** The department may adopt regulations to
11 implement AS 29.60.750 - 29.60.770.

12 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2025.