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## SECTIONAL ANALYSIS

House Bill 59: Postpartum Medicaid Extension

- **Section 1** Adds a new section (o) to AS 47.07.020, authorizing the department to implement an extension of postpartum Medicaid coverage up to the maximum period authorized under federal law.
- **Section 2** Amends the uncodified law to add the requirement for submission of a Medicaid state plan amendment to allow Medicaid beneficiaries to receive postpartum coverage for up to 12 months.
- **Section 3** Amends the uncodified law to establish the requirement that the commissioner of health notifies the revisor of statutes within 30 days of federal approval of the state plan amendment.
- **Section 4** Establishes that the postpartum extension takes effect on the day after the date the commissioner notifies the revisor of statutes as described above.