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CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 386(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered:

Referred:

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE HAWKER

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act establishing a uniform format and procedure for citations for certain violations
2 of state law; relating to the form, issuance, and disposition of citations for certain
3 violations; relating to certain crimes and penalties for noncompliance with citations; and
4 providing for an effective date."

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

6 * **Section 1.** AS 04.16.205(a) is amended to read:

7 (a) A person who possesses alcoholic beverages in a municipality or
8 established village in violation of AS 04.11.501 or an ordinance adopted under
9 AS 04.11.501 may, upon conviction, be punished by a fine not to exceed \$1,000 and
10 shall forfeit the seized alcoholic beverages. When a peace officer stops or contacts a
11 person concerning a violation of AS 04.11.501 or an ordinance adopted under
12 AS 04.11.501, the peace officer shall seize the alcoholic beverages and may issue a
13 citation to the person as provided in AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 [AS 12.25.180].

14 * **Sec. 2.** AS 04.16.205(b) is amended to read:

(b) **If a** [A] person cited for a violation of AS 04.11.501 or an ordinance adopted under AS 04.11.501 for which a bail amount has been established under (c) of this section **does not contest the citation, the person** may, within 30 days after the date the citation is issued,

(1) mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court in which the citation is filed by the peace officer the amount of bail indicated on the citation and a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is waived, a plea of no contest is entered, and the bail and all alcoholic beverages seized are forfeited; or

(2) perform community work in lieu of payment of the fine or a portion of the fine as provided in (d) of this section.

* **Sec. 3.** AS 04.16.205(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(f) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the fine, appear in court as required, or provide proof of performance to the court as specified in (d)(1) of this section.

* **Sec. 4.** AS 04.21.065(d) is amended to read:

(d) A peace officer may issue a citation for a violation of this section. The provisions of **AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** [AS 12.25.180(b) AND 12.25.190 - 12.25.230] apply to the issuance of a citation under this subsection.

* **Sec. 5.** AS 04.21.065(h) is amended to read:

(h) **If a** [A] person cited for a violation under this section **does not contest the citation, the person** may, **on or before the 30th day** [WITHIN 15 DAYS] after the date of the citation, mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court in which the citation is filed

(1) the amount of bail indicated on the citation for the violation; and

(2) a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is waived, a plea of no contest is entered, and the bail is forfeited.

* **Sec. 6.** AS 04.21.065(j) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(j) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the bail amount established under (g) of this section or to appear in court as required.

* **Sec. 7.** AS 05.25.080(b) is amended to read:

(b) A peace officer may enforce this chapter and regulations adopted under this chapter and, in the exercise of enforcement, may stop and, if the peace officer has probable cause to believe a violation of this chapter has occurred, may board a boat subject to this chapter. A peace officer may issue a citation as provided in AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 [AS 12.25.180] to a person who violates a provision of this chapter.

* **Sec. 8.** AS 05.25.080, as repealed and reenacted by sec. 18, ch. 28, SLA 2000, is amended to read:

Sec. 05.25.080. Enforcement. A peace officer may enforce this chapter and, in the exercise of enforcement, may stop and, if the peace officer has probable cause to believe a violation of this chapter has occurred, board watercraft subject to this chapter. A peace officer may issue a citation as provided in AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 to a person who violates a provision of this chapter.

* **Sec. 9.** AS 08.01.102 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.01.102. Citation for unlicensed practice or activity. The department may issue a citation for a violation of a license requirement under this chapter, except a requirement to have a license under AS 43.70, if there is probable cause to believe a person has practiced a profession or engaged in business for which a license is required without holding the license. Each day a violation continues after a citation for the violation has been issued constitutes a separate violation. A citation issued under this section must comply with the standards adopted under AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230.

* **Sec. 10.** AS 08.01.103(a) is amended to read:

(a) [A CITATION ISSUED UNDER AS 08.01.102 MUST BE IN WRITING.] A person receiving the citation issued under AS 08.01.102 is not required to sign a notice to appear in court.

* **Sec. 11.** AS 08.01.103(b) is amended to read:

(b) The time specified in the notice to appear on a citation issued under AS 08.01.102 shall be at least five working days [, NOT INCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS,] after the issuance of the citation [, UNLESS THE PERSON CITED REQUESTS AN EARLIER HEARING].

* **Sec. 12.** AS 08.01.103(d) is amended to read:

(d) **On or before the 10th working day after the issuance of a citation, the**
[THE] department shall deposit the original or a copy of the citation with a court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense. Upon its deposit with the court, the citation may be disposed of only by trial in the court or other official action taken by the magistrate, judge, or prosecutor. The department may not dispose of a citation, copies of it, or [OF] the record of its issuance except as required under this subsection and (e) of this section.

* **Sec. 13.** AS 08.01.103(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(f) A citation issued under AS 08.01.102 is considered to be a lawful complaint for the purpose of prosecution.

* **Sec. 14.** AS 08.18.118(a) is amended to read:

(a) A citation issued under this chapter must **comply with AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** [BE IN WRITING]. A person receiving the citation is not required to sign a notice to appear in court.

* **Sec. 15.** AS 08.18.118(b) is amended to read:

(b) The time specified in the notice to appear on a citation issued under this chapter must be at least five **working** days [, NOT INCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS,] after the issuance of the citation [, UNLESS THE PERSON CITED REQUESTS AN EARLIER HEARING].

* **Sec. 16.** AS 08.18.118(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(f) A citation issued under this chapter is considered to be a lawful complaint for the purpose of prosecution.

* **Sec. 17.** AS 08.40.340 is amended to read:

Sec. 08.40.340. Issuance of citations. The department may issue a citation **that complies with AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** for a violation if there is probable cause to believe a person has violated AS 08.40.210 - 08.40.490. Each day a violation continues after a citation for the violation has been issued constitutes a separate violation.

* **Sec. 18.** AS 08.40.350(a) is amended to read:

(a) [A CITATION ISSUED UNDER AS 08.40.340 MUST BE IN

1 WRITING.] A person receiving the citation under AS 08.40.340 is not required to
2 sign a notice to appear in court.

3 * **Sec. 19.** AS 08.40.350(b) is amended to read:

4 (b) The time specified in the notice to appear on a citation issued under
5 AS 08.40.340 must be at least five working days [, NOT INCLUDING WEEKENDS
6 AND HOLIDAYS,] after the issuance of the citation [, UNLESS THE PERSON
7 CITED REQUESTS AN EARLIER HEARING].

8 * **Sec. 20.** AS 08.40.350(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

9 (f) A citation issued under AS 08.40.340 is considered to be a lawful
10 complaint for the purpose of prosecution.

11 * **Sec. 21.** AS 12.25 is amended by adding a new section to article 2 to read:

12 **Sec. 12.25.175. Uniform citation format and procedure. (a)**

13 Notwithstanding any contrary provision of law, a citation issued by a peace officer and
14 by another person who is authorized by law to issue a citation in the state must comply
15 with standards concerning uniform citation format and procedure adopted by the
16 Department of Public Safety. The standards must include

17 (1) a statewide numbering system for citations;

18 (2) a requirement that a citation be made upon oath or affirmation
19 before a person authorized by law to administer oaths or affirmations or signed with a
20 certification under penalty of perjury that the citation is true and was personally served
21 on the person charged;

22 (3) a requirement that the citation contain information required by
23 AS 12.25.200(b).

24 (b) The commissioner of public safety shall provide or prescribe citation
25 forms for use by peace officers and other persons who are authorized by law to issue
26 citations.

27 (c) The commissioner of public safety shall adopt regulations under AS 44.62
28 to implement this section.

29 * **Sec. 22.** AS 12.25.180 is amended to read:

30 **Sec. 12.25.180. When peace officer may issue citation or take person**
31 **before the court. (a)** When a peace officer stops or contacts a person [IS STOPPED

OR CONTACTED BY A PEACE OFFICER] for the commission of a misdemeanor or the violation of a municipal ordinance, the officer [PERSON] may, in the officer's discretion, issue [OF THE CONTACTING PEACE OFFICER, BE ISSUED] a citation to the person instead of taking the person [BEING TAKEN] before a judge or magistrate under AS 12.25.150, unless

(1) the person does not furnish satisfactory evidence of identity;

(2) the contacting officer reasonably believes [HAS REASONABLE AND PROBABLE CAUSE TO BELIEVE] the person is a danger to self or others;

(3) the crime for which the person is contacted is one involving violence or harm to another person or to property;

(4) the person asks to be taken before a judge or magistrate under AS 12.25.150; or

(5) the peace officer has probable cause to believe the person committed a crime involving domestic violence; in this paragraph, "crime involving domestic violence" has the meaning given in AS 18.66.990.

(b) When a [PERSON IS STOPPED OR CONTACTED BY A] peace officer stops or contacts a person for the commission of an infraction or a violation, the officer [PERSON] shall issue [BE ISSUED] a citation instead of taking the person [BEING TAKEN] before a judge or magistrate under AS 12.25.150, unless

(1) the person does not furnish satisfactory evidence of identity; or

(2) the person refuses to accept service of the citation [OR TO GIVE A WRITTEN PROMISE TO APPEAR AS PROVIDED FOR UNDER AS 12.25.190(c)].

* **Sec. 23.** AS 12.25.190 is amended to read:

Sec. 12.25.190. When person to be given five-day notice to appear in court.

(a) When a person is contacted by a peace officer and the peace officer exercises one of the options [OPTION] provided for in AS 12.25.180, the officer shall prepare a written citation and issue it to the person.

(b) The time specified in the notice to appear shall be at least five working days after [THE ALLEGED VIOLATION OR] the issuance of the citation [, WHICHEVER IS LATER, UNLESS THE PERSON CITED REQUESTS AN

1 EARLIER HEARING].

2 (c) The person cited [FOR THE CRIME] shall accept [GIVE A WRITTEN
3 PROMISE TO APPEAR IN COURT BY SIGNING] at least one copy of the written
4 citation prepared by the peace officer [, AND THE OFFICER SHALL DELIVER A
5 COPY OF THE CITATION TO THE PERSON. THE WRITTEN PROMISE
6 REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO BOATING
7 CITATIONS FOR WHICH A BAIL SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED
8 UNDER AS 05.25.090(c), MOTOR VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CITATIONS FOR
9 WHICH A BAIL OR FINE SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED UNDER
10 AS 28.05.151, FISH AND GAME CITATIONS FOR WHICH A BAIL SCHEDULE
11 HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED UNDER AS 16.05.165, CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER
12 AS 04.21.065, CITATIONS FOR SKIING VIOLATIONS ISSUED UNDER
13 AS 05.45.100, CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER AS 18.35.341, CITATIONS ISSUED
14 IN STATE PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES UNDER AS 41.21.960, OR
15 LITTERING CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER AS 46.06.080].

16 * **Sec. 24.** AS 12.25.190(c), as repealed and reenacted by sec. 26, ch. 28, SLA 2000, and by
17 sec. 41, ch. 12, SLA 2006, is amended to read:

18 (c) The person cited [FOR THE CRIME] shall accept [GIVE A WRITTEN
19 PROMISE TO APPEAR IN COURT BY SIGNING] at least one copy of the written
20 citation prepared by the peace officer [, AND THE OFFICER SHALL DELIVER A
21 COPY OF THE CITATION TO THE PERSON. THE WRITTEN PROMISE
22 REQUIREMENT OF THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO MOTOR
23 VEHICLE AND TRAFFIC CITATIONS FOR WHICH A BAIL OR FINE
24 SCHEDULE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED UNDER AS 28.05.151, FISH AND
25 GAME CITATIONS FOR WHICH A BAIL SCHEDULE HAS BEEN
26 ESTABLISHED UNDER AS 16.05.165, CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER
27 AS 04.21.065, CITATIONS FOR SKIING VIOLATIONS ISSUED UNDER
28 AS 05.45.100, CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER AS 18.35.341, CITATIONS ISSUED
29 IN STATE PARK AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES UNDER AS 41.21.960, OR
30 LITTERING CITATIONS ISSUED UNDER AS 46.06.080].

31 * **Sec. 25.** AS 12.25.195(a) is amended to read:

(a) If a [A] person cited for an offense for which a scheduled amount of bail or a fine has been established does not contest the citation, the person may mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court with appropriate jurisdiction if a bailable offense, or to the clerk of the municipality that issued the citation if a scheduled municipal fine, the amount of the bail or fine indicated on the citation for the offense together with a copy of the citation signed by the person indicating the person's waiver of court appearance, entry of plea of no contest, and forfeiture of bail or fine. The citation with the bail or fine shall be mailed or personally delivered on or before the 30th day after the date the citation was issued [A MOTOR VEHICLE OR TRAFFIC CITATION MAY BE MAILED OR PERSONALLY DELIVERED WITHIN FIVE DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE CITATION. A CITATION FOR A SCHEDULED OFFENSE OTHER THAN A MOTOR VEHICLE OR TRAFFIC CITATION MAY BE MAILED OR PERSONALLY DELIVERED WITHIN 15 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THE CITATION].

* **Sec. 26.** AS 12.25.200 is amended to read:

Sec. 12.25.200. Form for citations. (a) The chief administrative officer of each law enforcement agency or other agency authorized to issue citations in the state is responsible for the issuance of books containing appropriate citations, and shall maintain a record of each book and each citation contained in it and shall require and retain a receipt for every book issued to a peace officer or other person authorized to issue citations.

(b) A citation issued under AS 12.25.180 or other law authorizing the issuance of a citation must be in writing and indicate, if applicable,

(1) the amount of bail or fine and the surcharge applicable to the offense;

(2) the procedure a person must follow in responding to the citation;

(3) that, if the person fails to pay the bail or fine, the person must appear in court;

(4) that failure to pay the bail or fine or appear in court for an offense involving a moving motor vehicle may result in

(A) suspension of the person's driver's license, privilege to

drive, or privilege to obtain a license; or

(B) attachment of the person's permanent fund dividend to pay the fine plus court and collection costs under AS 28.05.155; and

(5) that the person has a right to

(A) a trial;

(B) engage counsel;

(C) confront and question witnesses;

(D) testify; [AND]

(E) subpoena witnesses on the person's behalf.

* **Sec. 27.** AS 12.25.210(a) is amended to read:

(a) A peace officer or other person authorized by law to issue a citation, upon issuing a citation to an alleged violator under AS 12.25.180 or other law, on or before the 10th working day after issuance, shall deposit the original or a copy of the citation with a court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense. If the citation charges an offense under a municipal ordinance for which a scheduled fine has been established, the peace officer shall deposit the original or a copy of the citation with the clerk of the municipality that issued the citation, unless otherwise provided under rule adopted by the supreme court. Failure to file the citation within the prescribed time is not a basis for dismissal of the citation.

* **Sec. 28.** AS 12.25.210(d) is amended to read:

(d) The chief administrative officer of each law enforcement or other agency shall require each officer or other person in the agency to retain [RETURN] a copy of every citation issued by the officer or other person to an alleged violator of a law or ordinance and all copies of every citation that has been spoiled or upon which any entry has been made and not issued to an alleged violator.

* **Sec. 29.** AS 12.25.210(e) is amended to read:

(e) The chief administrative officer of each law enforcement or other agency shall also maintain, in connection with every citation issued by an officer or other person in the agency, a record of the disposition of the charge by the court in which the original or copy of the citation was deposited.

* **Sec. 30.** AS 12.25.230(a) is amended to read:

(a) Except as provided in (b) of this section **or otherwise specifically provided by law**, a person who fails to appear in court to answer the citation, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was issued, is guilty of a **class A** misdemeanor [AND UPON CONVICTION IS PUNISHABLE BY A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$1,000, OR BY IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR, OR BY BOTH].

* Sec. 31. AS 12.25.230(b) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(b) A person who fails to pay the bail or fine or appear in court in response to a citation for which a scheduled bail or fine is established, regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was issued, is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

* Sec. 32. AS 16.05.165(a) is amended to read:

(a) When a peace officer stops or contacts a person concerning a violation of this title except AS 16.51 and AS 16.52 or of a regulation adopted under this title except AS 16.51 and AS 16.52 that is a misdemeanor, the peace officer may, in the officer's discretion, issue a citation to the person as provided in **AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** [AS 12.25.180].

* Sec. 33. AS 16.05.165(c) is amended to read:

(c) **If a** [A] person cited for a misdemeanor for which a bail amount has been established under (b) of this section **does not contest the citation, the person** may, **on or before the 30th day** [WITHIN 15 DAYS] after the date of the citation, mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court in which the citation is filed by the peace officer

(1) the amount of bail indicated on the citation for that offense; and

(2) a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is waived, a plea of no contest is entered, and the bail is forfeited.

* Sec. 34. AS 16.05.165(e) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(e) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the bail amount established under (b) of this section or fails to appear in court as required.

* Sec. 35. AS 18.35.341(a) is amended to read:

(a) A peace officer may issue a citation for a violation of AS 18.35.300 or

1 18.35.305 committed in the officer's presence or for a violation of AS 18.35.330. The
2 provisions of AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 [AS 12.25.180(b) AND 12.25.190 -
3 12.25.230] apply to the issuance of a citation under this subsection.

4 * Sec. 36. AS 18.35.341(e) is amended to read:

5 (e) If a [A] person cited for a violation under this section does not contest the
6 citation, the person may, on or before the 30th day [WITHIN 15 DAYS] after the
7 date of the citation, mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court in which the
8 citation is filed

9 (1) the amount of bail indicated on the citation for that violation; and

10 (2) a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is
11 waived, a plea of no contest is entered, and the bail is forfeited.

12 * Sec. 37. AS 18.35.341(g) is repealed and reenacted to read:

13 (g) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation
14 under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the bail amount established under (d) of
15 this section or fails to appear in court as required.

16 * Sec. 38. AS 28.01.010(h) is amended to read:

17 (h) A municipality may issue a citation for a traffic offense only if the citation
18 complies with the provisions of AS 12.25.175 and 12.25.200 [AS 12.25.200].

19 * Sec. 39. AS 28.05.041(a) is amended to read:

20 (a) The commissioner of administration shall prescribe and provide suitable
21 application forms, certificates of title and registration, driver's licenses, and all other
22 forms necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and regulations adopted under
23 this title, the administration of which is vested in the Department of Administration.
24 The commissioner of public safety shall prescribe and provide suitable forms
25 necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and regulations adopted under this
26 title, the administration of which is vested in the Department of Public Safety,
27 including a standard citation form that meets the requirements of AS 12.25.175 and
28 12.25.200 [AS 12.25.200] and that is in a form necessary to identify the offender and
29 the offense and otherwise necessary to meet the needs of the public safety and the
30 administration of justice as required under AS 12.25.175 and 12.25.200 [THAT
31 SECTION].

1 * **Sec. 40.** AS 28.32.010(b) is amended to read:

2 (b) A peace officer, or an employee of the Department of Public Safety who is
3 authorized by the commissioner of that department to enforce both hazardous
4 materials and commercial vehicle safety regulations, may issue a citation under
5 **AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** [AS 12.25.180 - 12.25.230] to a person who violates a
6 regulation adopted under AS 28.05.011(a)(2). An employee of the Department of
7 Public Safety who is authorized by the commissioner of public safety to enforce both
8 hazardous materials and commercial vehicle safety regulations may not take a person
9 into custody under AS 12.25.180(b).

10 * **Sec. 41.** AS 41.21.960(a) is amended to read:

11 (a) When a peace officer stops or contacts a person concerning the
12 commission of a misdemeanor offense committed within a park or recreational facility
13 subject to the department's supervision, the officer may issue a citation to the person,
14 subject to the provisions of **AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230** [AS 12.25.180 - 12.25.230]. The
15 person receiving the citation may not be required to endorse the citation.

16 * **Sec. 42.** AS 41.21.960(c) is amended to read:

17 (c) **If a** [A] person cited for an offense for which a bail amount has been
18 established under (b) of this section **does not contest the citation, the person** may,
19 **on or before the 30th day after** [WITHIN 15 DAYS FROM] the date of the citation,
20 mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court having jurisdiction over the place
21 where the offense occurred

22 (1) the amount of bail indicated on the citation for that offense; and

23 (2) a copy of the citation indicating the offender's waiver of
24 appearance, plea of no contest, and direction to forfeit the bail and any items seized
25 from the offender.

26 * **Sec. 43.** AS 41.21.960(e) is repealed and reenacted to read:

27 (e) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation
28 under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the bail amount established under (b) of
29 this section or fails to appear in court as required.

30 * **Sec. 44.** AS 41.23.210(b) is amended to read:

31 (b) A person designated in (a) of this section may, when enforcing the

provisions of AS 41.23.180 - 41.23.230 or a regulation adopted under AS 41.23.180 - 41.23.230,

(1) execute a warrant or other process issued by an officer or court of competent jurisdiction;

(2) administer or take an oath, affirmation, or affidavit; and

(3) issue a citation or arrest a person who violates a provision of AS 41.23.180 - 41.23.230 or a regulation adopted under AS 41.23.180 - 41.23.230.

* **Sec. 45.** AS 41.23.210 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(c) A citation issued under (b) of this section must comply with the provisions of AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230.

* **Sec. 46.** AS 44.29.094(a) is amended to read:

(a) A citation issued under AS 44.29.092 must comply with the standards adopted under AS 12.25.175 and 12.25.200 [BE IN WRITING] and must contain a notice to appear in court. A person receiving the citation is not required to sign the notice.

* **Sec. 47.** AS 44.29.094(b) is amended to read:

(b) The time specified in the notice to appear in court on the citation shall be at least five working days [, NOT INCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS,] after the issuance of the citation [, UNLESS THE PERSON CITED REQUESTS AN EARLIER APPEARANCE IN COURT].

* **Sec. 48.** AS 44.29.094(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(f) A citation issued under AS 44.29.092 is considered to be a lawful complaint for the purpose of prosecution.

* **Sec. 49.** AS 44.41.020 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

(f) The Department of Public Safety shall establish by regulation standardized forms for citations issued by law enforcement officers and other persons authorized by law to issue citations in the state.

* **Sec. 50.** AS 45.75.131(b) is amended to read:

(b) A citation issued under this section must comply with the standards adopted under AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 [BE IN WRITING]. A person receiving the citation is not required to sign a promise to appear in court.

1 * **Sec. 51.** AS 45.75.131(c) is amended to read:

2 (c) The time specified in the notice to appear on a citation issued under this
3 section must be at least **five working** [15] days after the issuance of the citation [,
4 UNLESS THE PERSON CITED REQUESTS AN EARLIER HEARING].

5 * **Sec. 52.** AS 45.75.131(e) is amended to read:

6 (e) **On or before the 10th working day after issuance, a** [A] peace officer or
7 an employee who issues a citation under this section shall deposit the original or a
8 copy of the citation with a court having jurisdiction over the alleged offense. Upon its
9 deposit with the court, the citation may be disposed of only by trial in the court or
10 other official action taken by the magistrate, judge, or prosecutor. The peace officer or
11 employee who issued the citation may not dispose of it or copies of it or of the record
12 of its issuance except as required under this subsection and (f) of this section.

13 * **Sec. 53.** AS 45.75.131(g) is repealed and reenacted to read:

14 (g) A citation issued under this section is considered to be a lawful complaint
15 for the purpose of prosecution.

16 * **Sec. 54.** AS 45.75.131(h) is amended to read:

17 (h) Unless the citation has been voided or otherwise dismissed by the
18 magistrate, judge, or prosecutor, or bail has been forfeited under AS 45.75.133, a
19 person who fails to appear in court to answer a citation issued under this section,
20 regardless of the disposition of the charge for which the citation was issued, is guilty
21 of **failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230(b)** [A CLASS B
22 MISDEMEANOR].

23 * **Sec. 55.** AS 45.75.133(b) is amended to read:

24 (b) **If a** [A] person cited for a violation for which a bail forfeiture amount has
25 been established under (a) of this section **does not contest the citation, the person**
26 may, within **30** [15] days after the date of the citation, mail or personally deliver to the
27 clerk of the court in which the citation is filed by the employee

28 (1) the amount of bail indicated on the citation for that offense; and

29 (2) a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is
30 waived, a plea of no contest is entered, and the bail is forfeited.

31 * **Sec. 56.** AS 45.75.133(d) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(d) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230(b) if the person fails to pay the bail amount established under (a) of this section or fails to appear in court as required.

* **Sec. 57.** AS 46.06.080(d) is amended to read:

(d) A peace officer shall issue a citation as provided in AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230 [AS 12.25.180] to a person who violates this section. If a citation is for a minor littering violation and the person does not contest the charge, [THEN] the person to whom the citation is issued may, on or before the 30th day after the date of the citation [WITHIN 15 DAYS], mail or personally deliver to the clerk of the court in which the citation is filed

(1) a fine of \$50; and

(2) a copy of the citation indicating that the right to an appearance is waived and a plea of no contest is entered.

* **Sec. 58.** AS 46.06.080(f) is repealed and reenacted to read:

(f) A person cited under this section is guilty of failure to obey a citation under AS 12.25.230 if the person fails to pay the fine or to appear in court as required.

* **Sec. 59.** AS 46.06.110(b) is amended to read:

(b) The department shall prescribe a citation form, which shall be used by all peace officers and persons in the state who are authorized to enforce the provisions of this chapter. The citation form must meet the requirements of AS 12.25.175 - 12.25.230.

* **Sec. 60.** AS 04.16.205(i) and 04.16.205(j) are repealed.

* **Sec. 61.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to all citations issued by peace officers and other persons authorized under state law to issue citations for violations occurring on or after July 1, 2010.

* **Sec. 62.** The uncoded law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to read:

TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS: REGULATIONS. The Department of Public Safety may proceed to adopt regulations necessary to implement this Act. The regulations take effect

1 under AS 44.62 (Administrative Procedure Act), but not before July 1, 2010.

2 * **Sec. 63.** Section 62 of this Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

3 * **Sec. 64.** Sections 8 and 24 of this Act take effect on the date that secs. 18 and 26, ch. 28,
4 SLA 2000, take effect under sec. 30, ch. 28, SLA 2000, as amended by sec. 3, ch. 34, SLA
5 2004, and by sec. 1, ch. 19, SLA 2009.

6 * **Sec. 65.** Except as provided in secs. 63 and 64 of this Act, this Act takes effect July 1,
7 2010.