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Summary of HB 130 Effects

1. House Bill 130 is a proactive response to a national and local movement to require fire sprinkler systems in one and two-family dwellings. This legislation does not prohibit Alaskans from choosing to install these systems in their new or existing homes; it simply augments the public process necessary for any attempt to make them **mandatory** on a local level.
2. House Bill 130 would require local governments, who choose to pursue mandatory residential fire sprinkler requirements, to make a small investment of time and money when considering inflicting another costly government mandate on its local homeowners.
3. Before allowing a local government to impose residential fire sprinklers on all new construction, this legislation would require them to first:
 - a. Publish a summary of the ordinance and a notice of the time and place of each of the scheduled hearings at least 30 days before the first hearing
 - b. Schedule a minimum of 3 public hearings
 - c. Hold the hearings between 60 and 180 days of the notice of the proposed ordinance

After this extended, open and transparent process, the local governing body may choose whether or not to approve a mandatory residential fire sprinkler requirement.