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Sectional Analysis HB 52 – 28-LS00170\A.A

Sec. 1 – Contains conforming language changing the reference in AS 43.23.008(a) pertaining to allowable absences from (c), which is appealed in Sec. 3 of this bill, to (e), which is established in Sec. 2 of this bill.

Sec. 2 – Establishes in law a presumption that someone who is absent from the state for more than 180 days in each of the previous five years does not plan to return to the state and thus not eligible to receive a Permanent Fund Dividend. This section also provides a method for an individual to rebut the presumption that they do not intend to return to the state.

Sec. 3 – Repeals AS 43.23.008(c) which eliminates allowable absences after ten years except for members of Congress, congressional staff, and family members.

Sec. 4 – Allows someone who was previously denied a dividend under the ten year bright line rule to apply for a 2013 dividend during the 90 days following the enactment of this bill into law.

Sec. 5 – Makes the new law retroactive to Jan. 1, 2013.

Sec. 6 – Makes the bill effective immediately.

Prepared by the office of Rep. Eric Feige, March 19, 2013