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CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 91(HSS)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

**Offered:
Referred:**

Sponsor(s): SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act extending the governor's declaration of disaster emergency to address the**
2 **opioid epidemic; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 17.20.085 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (d) The chief medical officer may issue a standing order, including a statewide
6 standing order, for the prescription of an opioid overdose drug. A standing order
7 issued under this subsection must expire on or before June 30, 2021.

8 *** Sec. 2.** AS 17.20.085(d), enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, is repealed June 30, 2021.

9 *** Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
10 read:

11 **OPIOID EPIDEMIC; EXTENSION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY.** (a) Under
12 AS 26.23.020, the Thirtieth Alaska State Legislature extends to February 14, 2018, the
13 declaration of disaster emergency issued by the governor on February 14, 2017, declaring the
14 current opioid epidemic a public health disaster emergency.

1 (b) Notwithstanding AS 26.23.020 and 26.23.050, the governor or a state agency may
2 not use money in the disaster relief fund, or transfer or spend money appropriated for other
3 purposes, to respond to the disaster emergency extended under this section. The governor or a
4 state agency may use only the following funding to respond to the disaster emergency
5 extended under this section:

6 (1) funding from a federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services
7 Administration grant for naloxone distribution;

8 (2) state or federal funding appropriated specifically for the purpose of
9 responding to the disaster emergency; and

10 (3) state or federal funding appropriated for the purpose of substance abuse
11 treatment and prevention.

12 (c) On or before October 1, 2018, the Department of Health and Social Services shall
13 complete a report describing activities and expenditures related to substance abuse and mental
14 health services administration grants and the disaster emergency extended under this section
15 and shall submit the report to the senate secretary and chief clerk of the house of
16 representatives and notify the legislature that the report is available.

17 * **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
18 read:

19 **RETROACTIVITY.** This Act is retroactive to March 15, 2017.

20 * **Sec. 5.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).