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Senate Bill 160 Sectional Analysis

“An Act relating to the regulation of broadband Internet; and making certain actions by broadband Internet service providers unlawful acts or practices under the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act.”

Section 1: Adds a new Internet neutrality section to the Alaska Public Utilities Regulatory Act that requires Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to:

- Disclose network management practices, performance, and commercial terms so that consumers can make informed decisions
- Not block, impair, prioritize, or interfere with Internet access, website content, or Internet traffic
- Allows for an exception for telemedicine and distance learning in rural communities

Section 2: Adds violation of Internet neutrality to the list of unlawful acts and practices in the Alaska Unfair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection Act