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Boiler and Pressure Vessel Inspection Reports

Proposal:

- Institute a small fee for each inspection report that is submitted without using the online system adopted by the Department of Labor and Workforce Development (DOLWD).
- Reduce the time allowed for submission of inspection reports from 30 days to 10.

Background:

- The Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Mechanical Inspection section, administers the inspection of boilers and pressure vessels ("devices") in Alaska.
- Inspections are be performed by State inspectors or by private inspectors.
- DOWLD has adopted Jurisdiction Online, which allows inspectors to enter data directly into the Department's database. It also allows inspectors in the field to access device information.
- Most inspectors utilize the online system. Others send in PDF documents that Mechanical Inspection personnel must then manually enter into Jurisdiction Online.
- Mechanical Inspection spends between 350 and 400 hours a year performing manual entry on behalf of inspectors who do not use Jurisdiction Online.
- The 30-day submission time was set in statute when reports were carbon copied and mailed in to the Department. The submission time does not reflect modern electronic means. A 10-day deadline will allow device owners to comply with the law in a more timely manner.