

32ND ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



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Sectional Analysis for House Bill 45

Section 1: Creates a new section, AS 23.30.118, establishing a presumption of compensability for frontline workers who are actively working in close proximity to the general public during a declared disaster emergency cause by an outbreak of contagious disease.

Subsection (a)- Outlines metrics for establishment of this presumption.

Subsection (b)- Outlines how this presumption may be rebutted. Lists the occupational groups explicitly covered by the presumption. Gives the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Workforce Development authority to include additional occupations with similar level of risk for exposure to a contagious disease.

Subsection (c)- Provides definitions.

Section 2: Establishes retroactivity to November 15th 2020 for public safety and healthcare occupations previously included in section 15 of Chapter 10, Session Law 2020.

Section 3: Establishes an immediate effective date for all other occupations included.