

CS for House Bill 87 (L&C) 33-GH1337\S
Summary of Changes Version A to Version S

SECTION	HB 87\A	Pages	Appears CS HB 87	Pages	Substantive Changes
1	Amends AS 12.62 (in conjunction with section 2 and 5) to authorize the Department of Revenue to collect fingerprints for completion of a national criminal history record check for the purpose of determining suitability for employment. The amendment to AS 12.62 authorizes the Department of Public Safety to conduct national criminal history checks for division employees	Page 1, Line 4 through Page 3, Line 26	Section 1	Page 1, Line 7 through Page 2, Line 8	Slightly reworded language and moved from AS 12.62.400(a) to AS 12.62.400(c).
2	See above	Page 3, Line 27 through Page 4 Line 8	Section 1	See above	n/a
3	Amends AS 43.23.008(a) to allow merchant mariners attending qualified vocational programs to qualify for an allowable absence from the state for eligibility purposes.	Page 4, Line 9 through Page 6, Line 8	Section 7	Page 4 Line 7 through Page 6 Line 18	Additional eligibility for qualified PFD applicants absent from the state was added: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Includes a provision allowing for absences for breaks or holidays during an academic year (from Sec 4 of Version A, see below) AS 43.23.008(a)(3) deletes [ARMED FORCES] and replaces it with “uniformed services”
4	Adds a new subsection to AS 43.23.008 to define the term “education on a full-time basis” for the purposes of calculating allowable absences for students receiving secondary or postsecondary education, vocational, professional, or other specific education. The proposed definition would allow the division to include intra-academic year holidays and breaks, but not summer breaks, in the full-time education calculation, as opposed for separately calculating holidays and breaks under the current iteration of the statute.	Page 6 Line 9-16	Section 7	Page 4 Lines 12-18 and Lines 21-27	Version A added a new subsection (g) to AS 43.23.008. This language now appears in Version S in Section 7 (see above) as an amendment to AS 43.23.008(a)

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5	See Section 1 above	Page 6 Line 17 through Page 8 Line 9	Section 11	Page 8 Line 1 through Page 9 Line 25	N/A
6	Amends AS 43.23.140(d) to allow the division to use electronic notice of levy for individuals who are subjected to a court order or writ for the collection of a debt. Currently, the division is required to provide notice of levy via mail, despite the consent of many applicants to receive electronic notices.	Page 8 Lines 10-31	Section 12	Page 9 Line 26 through Page 10 Line 16	N/A
7	Adds transitional regulation language.	Page 9 Lines 1-6	Section 14	Page 10 Lines 23-28	N/A
8 and 9	Adds immediate effective date language.	Page 9 Line 7-8	Section 15 & 16	Page 10 Lines 29-30	Secs 1-6, 10-12, and 14 takes immediate effect Other sections take effect Jan 1, 2024

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NEW SECTIONS CONTAINED in Version S

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Section 2	Page 2 Line 9-28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removes the traditional formula for determining the net income of the Permanent Fund for purposes of calculating the amount available for appropriation (which previously had been used only for the distribution of the Permanent Fund Dividend.) This section retains the language stating that the amount available for appropriation is 5% of the average market value of the fund for the first five of the preceding six fiscal years. The amount available for appropriation cannot exceed the balance of the Earnings Reserve Account (ERA) as described in AS 37.13.145 (Sec 3)
Section 3	Page 2 Line 29 through Page 3 Line 3	States that the legislature may appropriate from the ERA to the dividend fund 50% of the amount available for appropriation
Section 4	Page 3 Line 4 through Line 22	Clarifies that under AS 37.13.145(c) the mechanism for inflation proofing the principle of the Permanent Fund is an appropriation by the legislature.
Section 5	Page 3 Line 23 through Page 4 Line 2	Clarifies that proceeds from State v. Amerada Hess, et al is not available for appropriation to the dividend fund, for inflation proofing, or the Mental Health Trust fund but will be deposited annually into the capital income fund (AS 37.05.565)
Section 6	Page 4 Lines 3-6	Clarifies that net income from the Mental Health Trust Fund may not be included in the computation of the amount of the Permanent Fund available for appropriation
Section 8	Page 6 Line 19-28	Provides a definition of “uniformed Services” for purposes of dividend eligibility under AS43.23.008(a)
Section 9	Page 6 line 29 through page 7 Line 5	Adds a new subsection to AS 43.23.011 to allow a grace period for dependents of Alaskans who experience a medical emergency that prevents them from filing for their dependents' permanent fund dividend by the March 31st filing deadline.
Section 10	Page 7 Lines 6-31	On page 7 line 11. Language change to clarify that the amount in the dividend fund is “appropriated”
Section 13	Page 10 Lines 17-22	Applicability.