

# ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE



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## Sponsor Statement for SB 30

SB 30 celebrates the contributions of Filipino-Americans in Alaska by recognizing October as Filipino-American History Month in state statute. Since 1788, Filipinos have had a presence on lands now known as Alaska. From seasonal migrant cannery workers to health care workers and political leaders, Filipino-Americans are part of the fabric of Alaska's diverse history. As the largest Asian-American/Pacific Islander group and immigrant community in the state, Filipino-American have contributed to Alaska's communities, economy, government, and culture. With this legislation, we hope to join in solidarity to honor and appreciate the impact of Filipino-Americans to the State of Alaska.