



33RD ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

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Summary of Changes

HB316 to CS for HB316(STA) am

The term wireless telephone was replaced by wireless device throughout the bill.

The term wireless telephone company was replaced by wireless carrier throughout the bill.

Deleted previous liability language, and inserted stronger liability language to protect wireless carriers that act in good faith in response to (a) of the legislation.

Language referencing 911 calls was removed.

Definitions for law enforcement agency, wireless carrier, and wireless device were added.

Added an immediate effective date.

A short title was added to the bill: "the Kelsey Smith Act."

Requires that the request from the law enforcement agency be in writing, in either physical or electronic form.

Added the requirement that the individual from the law enforcement agency must be acting in an official capacity and responding to the ongoing emergency. And provides for a penalty for violation (Class A Misdemeanor).

Added clarifying language regarding wireless carrier emergency contact information that shall be provided annually to the Department of Public Safety (DPS).

Added regulation guidance to DPS relating to establishing criteria for law enforcement agency personnel who request location information during ongoing emergencies; setting reasonable limits on the use of information; and providing for the maintenance of records.

Defines law enforcement agency as an agency of the State of Alaska, including political subdivisions of the state and of an Alaska Native organization.

Adds satellite communications service to the definition of wireless carrier.

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