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AN ACT

Relating to defrauding of operators of taxicabs or vehicles.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 11.20.480(a) and (b) are amended to read:

(a) A person who puts up at a hotel, inn, boardinghouse, lodginghouse, campground or trailer court and who procures a fare, board, lodging, or lodging services from the owner or operator by means of a trick, deception, or false representation, or a false show of baggage or effects, who procures food, drink or other merchandise from any restaurant, dining room, cocktail lounge, bar or other premises where food or drink is offered to the public for sale, or who procures transportation services in a taxicab, aircraft, or rents or leases any vehicle, with the intent to cheat or defraud the owner or operator out of the pay for the fare, board, lodging, lodging services, or accommodation, or food, drink, merchandise or transportation services; or who with that intent absconds from the premises or taxicab or vehicles, or surreptitiously removes, or causes to be removed baggage or effects from a hotel, inn, boardinghouse, lodginghouse, campground or trailer court without first paying the proper charges due is guilty of a misdemeanor. The words "fare, board, lodging or lodging services" include all charges incurred except for cash payouts to a guest.

(b) Proof that fare, board, lodging, lodging services, food, drink, merchandise or transportation services were obtained by false pretenses, or that the person refused or neglected to pay for the fare, board, lodging, lodging services, food, drink, merchandise or transportation services on demand, or that he gave payment for the

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fare, board, lodging, lodging services, food, drink, merchandise or transportation services with negotiable paper or credit card voucher upon which payment was refused is prima facie evidence of the fraudulent intent required in (a) of this section.

* Sec. 2. AS 11.20.480(c) is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

(3) "taxicab" means a motor-driven passenger vehicle having a seating capacity of not more than seven persons, including driver, which is offered for public hire on a time or distance basis and which is not operated on a predetermined schedule or over fixed routes;

(4) "vehicle" means any device or contrivance for carrying or conveying persons or objects, including land conveyances, vessels, aircraft, and spacecraft, with or without operator, which is offered for public hire or rent, and which is operated with or without a predetermined schedule or fixed route.