

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 311(L&C)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/8/96

Referred: Judiciary

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES VEZEY, Toohey, Martin

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the hours a person may be employed in a mine."

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 23.10.410(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) Except as provided in (d) of this section, a [A] person may not be
5 employed in an underground coal mine, underground lode mine, underground placer
6 mine, underground coal, lode, or placer workings, or other underground mine, or
7 workings for more than eight hours in 24 hours, except on a day when a change of shift
8 is made, excluding, however, an intermission of time for meals, or otherwise going to
9 or from the place where the work is actually carried on, whether in going on or off shift,
10 or in going to or returning from meals.

11 * **Sec. 2.** AS 23.10.410 is amended by adding new subsections to read:

12 (d) On application from an employer, the commissioner may grant a variance
13 that permits employment in an underground mine or workings for more than eight but
14 not more than 10 hours in a 24-hour period if the commissioner finds that

15 (1) the additional working time is permitted under the terms of a

1 collective bargaining agreement entered into by a bargaining organization that
2 represents workers performing the work covered by the variance; or

3 (2) the extension is in the best interest of resident workers of the state.

4 (e) The department shall issue orders and adopt regulations necessary to carry
5 out this section.