

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 322(FIN)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

NINETEENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/9/96

Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act authorizing grants for temporary housing assistance during emergencies
2 and disasters."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 26.23.100(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) Whenever the governor has proclaimed a disaster emergency, or the
6 President, at the request of the governor, has declared an emergency or a major
7 disaster to exist in this state, the governor may

8 (1) purchase, lease, or make other arrangements with any agency of the
9 United States or state for temporary housing units to be occupied by disaster victims
10 and to make those units available to any political subdivision of the state;

11 (2) make housing assistance grants to eligible disaster victims who
12 have located temporary housing for the costs of the housing that are not covered
13 under temporary housing assistance from the Federal Emergency Management
14 Agency, under private insurance, or from any other source; as a condition of

1 accepting a housing assistance grant from the state under this paragraph, the
2 recipient shall agree to repay the state for the assistance to the extent that the
3 recipient is reimbursed or otherwise compensated from any source for the same
4 costs of temporary housing that were covered by the state grant;

5 (3) assist any political subdivision of this state that is the location of
6 temporary housing for disaster victims to acquire sites necessary for the temporary
7 housing and do all things necessary to prepare the site to receive and use temporary
8 housing units by

9 (A) advancing or lending funds available to the governor from
10 an appropriation made by the legislature or from any other source;

11 (B) passing through funds made available by any agency, public
12 or private; or

13 (C) becoming a copartner with a political subdivision for the
14 execution and performance of any temporary housing for disaster-victim
15 projects and, for those purposes, pledging the credit of the state on terms
16 considered appropriate, having due regard for current debt transactions of the
17 state;

18 (4) [(3)] under whatever relevant regulations the governor may adopt,
19 temporarily suspend, or modify, for not more than 60 days, any public health, safety,
20 zoning, transportation, or other requirement of law or regulation of the state, when by
21 proclamation, the governor declares a suspension or modification essential to provide
22 temporary housing for disaster victims.