

**HOUSE BILL NO. 36**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVE DAVIES**

**Introduced: 1/13/97**

**Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary, Finance**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to absences from the state of certain spouses and dependents**  
2 **of residents for purposes of eligibility for permanent fund dividends; and providing**  
3 **for an effective date."**

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

5 **\* Section 1.** AS 43.23.095(8) is amended to read:

6 (8) "state resident" means an individual who is physically present in the  
7 state with the intent to remain permanently in the state under the requirements of  
8 AS 01.10.055 or, if the individual is not physically present in the state, intends to  
9 return to the state and remain permanently in the state under the requirements of  
10 AS 01.10.055, and is absent only for any of the following reasons:

11 (A) vocational, professional, or other specific education for  
12 which a comparable program was not reasonably available in the state;

13 (B) secondary or postsecondary education;

14 (C) military service;

- 1 (D) medical treatment;
- 2 (E) service in Congress;
- 3 (F) other reasons **that** [WHICH] the commissioner may
- 4 establish by regulation;
- 5 (G) service in the Peace Corps;
- 6 (H) to care for the individual's terminally ill parent, spouse,
- 7 sibling, child, or stepchild;
- 8 (I) up to 220 days to settle the estate of the individual's
- 9 deceased parent, spouse, sibling, child, or stepchild; [OR]
- 10 (J) to care for a parent, spouse, sibling, child, or stepchild with
- 11 a critical life-threatening illness whose treatment plan, as recommended by the
- 12 attending physician, requires travel outside the state for treatment at a medical
- 13 specialty complex; **or**
- 14 **(K) to accompany another resident, who is eligible for a**
- 15 **permanent fund dividend and is absent for a reason permitted under this**
- 16 **paragraph, as the spouse, minor dependent, or disabled dependent of the**
- 17 **eligible resident;**

18 \* Sec. 2. This Act takes effect January 1, 1998.