

SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 366(title am)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Amended: 4/16/98

Introduced: 3/18/98

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act prohibiting a court from finding that a minor is a child in need of
2 aid solely on the basis that the child's family is poor, lacks adequate housing,
3 or lives a lifestyle that is different from the generally accepted lifestyle standard
4 of the community where the family lives."

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

6 * **Section 1.** AS 47.10.010 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

7 (f) The court may not find a minor to be a child in need of aid under this
8 section solely on the basis that the child's family is poor, lacks adequate housing, or
9 lives a lifestyle that is different from the generally accepted lifestyle standard of the
10 community where the family lives. However, this subsection may not be construed to
11 prevent a court from finding that a child is in need of aid if the child has been
12 subjected to conduct or conditions described in (a) of this section.