

**SENATE BILL NO. 102**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 2/24/97

Referred: HESS, Judiciary, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to the eligibility of aliens for state public assistance and  
2 medical assistance programs affected by federal welfare reform legislation; and  
3 providing for an effective date."

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

5 \* **Section 1.** AS 47.07.020 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (h) A person who meets the eligibility requirements of (a) or (b) of this  
7 section, except that the person is a qualified alien as defined in 8 U.S.C. 1641(b), is  
8 eligible for medical assistance unless the person is not eligible under the limited  
9 eligibility provision of 8 U.S.C. 1613.

10 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 47.25.430 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

11 (f) Unless the person is not eligible under the limited eligibility provision of  
12 8 U.S.C. 1613, a state payment under AS 47.25.430 - 47.25.615 shall be made to a  
13 person who

14 (1) meets the requirements of state law;

1 (2) is a qualified alien as defined in 8 U.S.C. 1641(b); and  
2 (3) otherwise meets the eligibility requirements of 42 U.S.C. 1381 -  
3 1383.

4 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 47.27.015, added by sec. 7, ch. 107, SLA 1996, is amended by adding a new  
5 subsection to read:

6 (f) A person who is an alien is not eligible for assistance under this chapter  
7 unless the person is a qualified alien under 8 U.S.C. 1641(b) or an alien excepted  
8 under 8 U.S.C. 1612(b). However, a qualified alien may only be eligible for assistance  
9 under this chapter if the person is not precluded by the limited eligibility provision of  
10 8 U.S.C. 1613.

11 \* **Sec. 4.** Sections 1 and 2 of this Act take effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).

12 \* **Sec. 5.** Section 3 of this Act takes effect on the effective date of sec. 7, ch. 107, SLA  
13 1996.