

SENATE BILL NO. 304

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTIETH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY SENATOR DONLEY

Introduced: 2/16/98

Referred: Transportation, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to regulation of highways and motor vehicles; and providing for
2 an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 28.05.151 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (d) The supreme court, in establishing scheduled amounts of bail under this
6 section, and each municipality that establishes or has established a fine schedule under
7 this section shall provide that the scheduled amount of bail or fine, as applicable, for
8 a motor vehicle or traffic offense that is committed in a highway work zone shall be
9 double the amount of the bail or fine for the offense if it had not been committed in
10 a highway work zone.

11 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.15.231(b) is amended to read:

12 (b) Points may not be assessed for (1) violating a provision of a state law or
13 regulation or a municipal ordinance regulating standing, parking, equipment, size, or
14 weight; (2) [NOR MAY POINTS BE ASSESSED FOR] violations by pedestrians,

1 passengers, or bicycle riders; (3) [, OR FOR] violations of provisions relating to the
 2 preservation of the condition of traffic-control devices on the highways; (4) violating
 3 speed limits on a divided highway where the divided highway has a maximum
 4 speed limit of 55 miles per hour, the vehicle was not exceeding 65 miles per hour,
 5 and the person operating the vehicle was not driving recklessly or negligently; or
 6 (5) traffic citations that are issued by a person who is not a member of the police
 7 force of the state or a municipality. Points shall be assessed for violations of
 8 oversize or overweight permits relating only to restrictions upon speed or hours of
 9 operation.

10 * **Sec. 3.** AS 28.35 is amended by adding a new section to read:

11 **Sec. 28.35.165. Operation of vehicle on state highways or vehicular ways**
 12 **or areas.** (a) A person operating a motor vehicle on a divided highway with at least
 13 two traffic lanes on each side may not drive in the far left lane, unless the person is
 14 overtaking another vehicle, the person is making a left turn from the divided highway,
 15 or dense traffic conditions require driving in the left lane.

16 (b) A person who violates this section is guilty of an infraction.

17 * **Sec. 4.** AS 28.40 is amended by adding a new section to read:

18 **Sec. 28.40.070. Fines for offenses committed within highway work zones**
 19 **doubled.** Whenever a person violates a provision of this title or a regulation adopted
 20 under the authority of this title within a highway work zone, notwithstanding the
 21 amount of the fine or the maximum fine set under this title, the fine, or maximum fine,
 22 is double the amount provided in this title.

23 * **Sec. 5.** AS 28.40.100(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

24 (25) "highway work zone" means an area identified by advance signing
 25 where road construction, repair, or maintenance work is being done on or adjacent to
 26 a highway, whether or not work is actually being done at that time.

27 * **Sec. 6.** This Act takes effect June 30, 1999.