

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 284(L&C)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/23/00

Referred: Judiciary

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE KOTT

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to uninsured and underinsured motor vehicle insurance."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 28.20.445(f) is amended to read:

4 (f) If both the owner and operator of the uninsured vehicle are unknown,
5 payment under the uninsured and underinsured motorists coverage shall be made only
6 where direct physical contact between the insured and uninsured or underinsured motor
7 vehicles has occurred, **or where the accident is witnessed by a disinterested person**
8 **not occupying the insured vehicle who will attest to the facts of the accident and**
9 **the involvement of a motor vehicle that left the accident scene without being**
10 **identified.** A vehicle that has left the scene of the accident with an insured vehicle
11 is presumed to be uninsured if the person insured reports the accident to the
12 appropriate authorities within 24 hours.

13 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.22.201(b) is amended to read:

14 (b) If both the owner and operator of a vehicle are unknown, payment under
15 the uninsured and underinsured motorists coverage may be made only where direct

1 contact between the motor vehicles has occurred, **or where the accident is witnessed**
2 **by a disinterested person not occupying the insured vehicle who will attest to the**
3 **facts of the accident and the involvement of a motor vehicle that left the accident**
4 **scene without being identified.** A vehicle and operator that have left the scene of an
5 accident with another vehicle are presumed to be uninsured if the insured person
6 reports the accident to the appropriate authorities within 24 hours.