

SENATE BILL NO. 100

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE BY REQUEST

Introduced: 3/11/99

Referred: Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to the payment by indigent persons for legal services and
2 related costs."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 18.85.120(c) is amended to read:

5 (c) The [UPON THE PERSON'S CONVICTION, THE] court may enter a
6 judgment that a person for whom counsel is appointed pay for services of
7 representation and court costs. Enforcement of a judgment under this subsection may
8 be stayed by the trial court or the appellate court during the pendency of an appeal of
9 the person's conviction. Upon a showing of financial hardship, the court (1) shall
10 allow a person subject to a judgment entered under this subsection to make payments
11 under a payment schedule; (2) shall allow a person subject to a judgment entered under
12 this subsection to petition the court at any time for remission, reduction, or deferral of
13 the unpaid portion of the judgment; and (3) may remit or reduce the balance owing on
14 the judgment or change the method of payment if the payment would impose manifest

- 1 hardship on the person or the person's immediate family. Payments made under this
- 2 subsection shall be paid into the state general fund.