

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 274(L&C)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/1/02
Referred: Rules

Sponsor(s): SENATOR OLSON

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to issuance of a locum tenens permit for a physician or osteopath; and
2 providing for an effective date."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 08.64.275(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A member of the board or its executive secretary may grant a temporary
6 permit to a physician or osteopath for the purpose of

7 (1) substituting for another physician or osteopath licensed in this
8 state;

9 (2) being temporarily employed by a physician or osteopath
10 licensed in this state while that physician or osteopath evaluates the permittee for
11 permanent employment; or

12 (3) being temporarily employed by a hospital or community
13 mental health center while the facility attempts to fill a vacant permanent
14 physician or osteopath staff position with a physician or osteopath licensed in this

1 **state** [. THE PERMIT IS VALID FOR 60 CONSECUTIVE DAYS. IF
 2 CIRCUMSTANCES WARRANT, AN EXTENSION OF THE PERMIT MAY BE
 3 GRANTED BY THE BOARD OR ITS DESIGNEE].

4 * **Sec. 2.** AS 08.64.275(e) is amended to read:

5 (e) **A permit issued under this section is initially valid for 90 consecutive**
 6 **calendar days. A permit issued under this section shall be extended for 60**
 7 **calendar days by the board, or its designee if, before the expiration of the initial**
 8 **90-day permit, the permittee submits to the department a completed application**
 9 **form and the fee required for licensure under this chapter.** Permits and extensions
 10 of permits issued **to an individual** under this section [TO AN INDIVIDUAL] are not
 11 valid for more than 240 **calendar** days during any consecutive 24 months.

12 * **Sec. 3.** AS 08.64.275 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

13 (f) Notwithstanding (e) of this section, a permit issued under this section may
 14 be extended for a time period that exceeds the limit established in (e) of this section if
 15 the board or its designee determines that the extension is necessary in order to provide
 16 essential medical services for the protection of public health and safety.

17 * **Sec. 4.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).