

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 385(JUD)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

**Offered: 4/8/02**

**Referred: Finance**

**Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVE CROFT**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to the attorney fees and costs awarded in certain court actions relating**  
2 **to unfair trade practices; and amending Rules 54, 79, and 82, Alaska Rules of Civil**  
3 **Procedure."**

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

5 **\* Section 1.** AS 45.50.537 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (e) In an action brought by the attorney general under AS 45.50.471 -  
7 45.50.561, if the attorney general prevails, the state shall be awarded full attorney fees  
8 and costs.

9 **\* Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
10 read:

11 COURT RULE CHANGES. (a) AS 45.50.537(e), added by sec. 1 of this Act,  
12 changes Rule 82, Alaska Rules of Civil Procedure, by establishing a different rule relating to  
13 the award of attorney fees in actions that are brought under AS 45.50.471 - 45.50.561.

14 (b) AS 45.50.537(e), added by sec. 1 of this Act, changes Rules 54(d) and 79, Alaska

1 Rules of Civil Procedure, by establishing a different rule relating to the award of costs in  
2 actions that are brought under AS 45.50.471 - 45.50.561.

3 \* **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
4 read:

5 APPLICABILITY. AS 45.50.537(e), added by sec. 1 of this Act, applies only to  
6 causes of action that accrue on or after the effective date of this Act.

7 \* **Sec. 4.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
8 read:

9 CONDITIONAL EFFECT. Section 1 of this Act takes effect only if sec. 2 of this Act  
10 receives the two-thirds majority vote of each house required by art. IV, sec. 15, Constitution  
11 of the State of Alaska.