

SENATE BILL NO. 222

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR DONLEY

Introduced: 5/3/01

Referred: Transportation, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to certain motor vehicles that are required to yield to following**
2 **traffic."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 19.05.030 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 19.05.030. Duties of department.** The department has the following
6 duties:

- 7 (1) direct approved highway planning and construction and
8 maintenance, protection, and control of highways;
9 (2) employ assistants and employees;
10 (3) certify and approve vouchers;
11 (4) provide a program of highway research;
12 (5) prepare a budget;
13 (6) review the annual highway program;
14 (7) develop and implement an avalanche control plan to protect

1 persons who use public highways;

2 (8) place signs along public highways as required by
3 AS 28.35.140(b).

4 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.35.140 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (b) A person operating a motor vehicle on a two-lane roadway shall pull the
6 motor vehicle off the roadway at the first opportunity to pull over safely whenever
7 there is at least 100 feet of visible and unobstructed roadway in front of that motor
8 vehicle and there are five or more motor vehicles immediately following that motor
9 vehicle. The Department of Transportation and Public Facilities shall place a sign that
10 provides notice of the requirements of this subsection at the beginning of each section
11 of public highway that extends for five miles without a passing zone. A person
12 operating a motor vehicle who violates this subsection is guilty of an infraction as
13 described in AS 28.40.050(d) and shall be punished by a fine of at least \$200.