

HOUSE BILL NO. 276

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVES GUTTENBERG, Gatto

Introduced: 4/17/03

Referred: State Affairs, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act authorizing fire departments and emergency medical services to obtain**
2 **criminal justice information and motor vehicle records to screen volunteer applicants."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 18.08 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 18.08.095. Authority to obtain criminal justice information and**
6 **driver's license and driving records for volunteer emergency medical technicians.**

7 (a) An emergency medical service is authorized to obtain, at no cost, criminal justice
8 information under AS 12.62.160(b)(6) and driver's license and driving records
9 maintained under AS 28.15.151 for the purpose of screening persons applying to serve
10 as volunteer emergency medical services providers.

11 (b) For purposes of this section,

12 (1) "emergency medical service" means a service that operates under a
13 certificate issued under AS 18.08.082;

14 (2) "volunteer" means a person who is not compensated by the

1 emergency medical service for the person's time or services, and whose compensation
2 does not include equipment, training, or reimbursement of expenses incurred by the
3 person in providing volunteer services.

4 * **Sec. 2.** AS 18.70 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 18.70.025. Authority to obtain criminal justice information and**
6 **driver's license and driving records for volunteer fire fighters and emergency**
7 **medical technicians.** (a) A fire department or regularly organized volunteer fire
8 department is authorized to obtain, at no cost, criminal justice information maintained
9 under AS 12.62.160(b)(6) and driver's license and driving records maintained under
10 AS 28.15.151 for the purpose of screening persons applying to serve as volunteer fire
11 fighters.

12 (b) For purposes of this section,

13 (1) "fire department" means a fire department registered with the state
14 fire marshal;

15 (2) "regularly organized volunteer fire department" means a volunteer
16 fire department registered with the state fire marshal that has official recognition and
17 financial support from the political subdivision where it is situated;

18 (3) "volunteer" means a person who is not compensated by the fire
19 department or volunteer fire department for the person's time or services, and whose
20 compensation does not include equipment, training, or reimbursement of expenses
21 incurred by the person in providing volunteer services.