

SENATE BILL NO. 22

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATORS GUESS, French

Introduced: 1/21/03

Referred: State Affairs, Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act limiting the factors that may be considered in making a crime victims'**
2 **compensation award in cases of sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 18.67.080(c) is amended to read:

5 (c) In determining whether to make an order under this section, the board shall
6 consider all circumstances determined to be relevant, including provocation, consent,
7 or any other behavior of the victim that directly or indirectly contributed to the
8 victim's injury or death, the prior case or social history, if any, of the victim, the
9 victim's need for financial aid, and any other relevant matters. **However, if the claim**
10 **is based on a crime of sexual assault or sexual abuse of a minor, the board may**
11 **not deny an order based on considerations of provocation, the use of alcohol or**
12 **drugs by the victim, or the prior social history of the victim.**