

SENATE BILL NO. 197

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATOR DYSON

Introduced: 4/25/03

Referred: Health, Education and Social Services, Labor and Commerce

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to use of pharmaceutical agents by optometrists."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 08.72.272(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) A licensee may prescribe and use a pharmaceutical agent, **including a**
5 **controlled substance, as defined in AS 11.71.900,** in the practice of optometry if

6 (1) the pharmaceutical agent is **not a schedule IA controlled**
7 **substance, as defined in AS 11.71.900;**

8 **(2) the pharmaceutical agent is prescribed and used for the**
9 **treatment of ocular disease or conditions, ocular adnexal disease or conditions, or**
10 **emergency anaphylaxis** [A DRUG TOPICALLY APPLIED TO THE HUMAN EYE
11 AND ITS APPENDAGES]; and

12 **(3) [(2)]** the person holds a license endorsement issued by the board
13 authorizing the prescription and use of pharmaceutical agents.