

**SENATE BILL NO. 299**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE SENATE LABOR AND COMMERCE COMMITTEE

Introduced: 2/6/04

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to a charge for a bad check."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 09.68.115(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) In an action against a person who issues a check that is dishonored, the  
5 plaintiff may recover damages in an amount equal to \$100 or triple the amount of the  
6 check, whichever is greater, except that damages recovered under this section may not  
7 exceed the amount of the check by more than \$1,000 and may be awarded only if

8 (1) the plaintiff makes a written demand for payment of the check at  
9 least 15 days before beginning the action; and

10 (2) the defendant fails to tender, before the action begins, an amount  
11 equal to [AT LEAST] the amount of the check plus **\$30** [COSTS INCURRED BY  
12 THE PLAINTIFF UP TO A MAXIMUM OF \$25].