

CS FOR SPONSOR SUBSTITUTE FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 157(CRA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE COMMUNITY AND REGIONAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/5/05

Referred: Labor and Commerce

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES ANDERSON, Thomas

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act clarifying the powers of electric cooperatives to become members of or own**
2 **stock in other entities, and permitting electric cooperatives to sell fuel not needed to**
3 **generate electric energy."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 10.25.020 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 10.25.020. Powers of electric cooperative.** An electric cooperative may
7 (1) generate, manufacture, purchase, acquire, accumulate, and transmit
8 electric energy, and distribute, sell, supply, and dispose of electric energy to its
9 members, to governmental agencies and political subdivisions, and to other persons
10 not exceeding 10 percent of the number of its members; however, a cooperative that
11 acquires existing electric facilities may continue service to persons, not in excess of 40
12 percent of the number of its members, who are already receiving service from these
13 facilities without requiring them to become members, and these persons may become
14 members upon the terms as may be prescribed in the bylaws;

1 (2) assist persons to whom electric energy is or will be supplied by the
2 cooperative in wiring their premises and in acquiring and installing electrical and
3 plumbing appliances, equipment, fixtures, and apparatus by financing them, and, in
4 connection with these services, wire or have wired the premises, and buy, acquire,
5 lease, sell, distribute, install, and repair electric and plumbing appliances, equipment,
6 fixtures, and apparatus;

7 (3) assist persons to whom electric energy is or will be supplied by the
8 cooperative in constructing, equipping, maintaining, and operating electric cold
9 storage or processing plants by financing them or otherwise;

10 (4) operate a waste heat distribution system;

11 (5) operate a heating distribution system that was in existence on
12 June 9, 1988;

13 (6) provide sewer, water, or gas utility service if the cooperative has
14 received a certificate of convenience and necessity under AS 42.05.221 - 42.05.281
15 from the former Alaska Public Utilities Commission or the Regulatory Commission of
16 Alaska for each type of service provided;

17 (7) provide direct satellite television programming services; in this
18 paragraph, "direct satellite television programming services" means a video broadcast
19 signal that is received directly from a satellite by an end user;

20 **(8) become a member of other limited liability companies or**
21 **corporations organized for any lawful purpose, or own stock in them;**

22 **(9) sell fuel not needed to generate electric energy.**