

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 259(TRA)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Offered: 4/25/05

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): HOUSE TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to covered or enclosed loads."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 28.35.251(a) is amended to read:

4 (a) A person may not drive a motor vehicle **with a gross vehicle weight**  
5 **greater than 9,200 pounds** loaded with sand, gravel, rock, or similar materials **other**  
6 **than snow** on a highway unless

7 (1) the load is **covered or enclosed** [CONTAINED OR CONFINED]  
8 to prevent the load from dropping, shifting, leaking, or escaping, except that sand or  
9 other substances may be dropped, sprinkled, or sprayed for the purpose of cleaning or  
10 maintaining the highway or providing traction; and

11 (2) the load is subjected to treatment by methods, approved by the  
12 commissioner of public safety by regulation, designed to settle the load or remove  
13 loose material before the vehicle is driven on the highway.

14 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 28.35.251 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

15 (c) Subsection (a) does not apply to communities that are not connected by

1 continuous state or federal highways to Anchorage or communities of less than 5,000  
2 population unless specifically adopted by local and state traffic control plans.