

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 403(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 2/24/06

Referred: Transportation

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES THOMAS, Croft

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to registration and operation of low-speed vehicles."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 28.10.041 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

4 (e) The department may not refuse to register a low-speed vehicle as a
5 passenger vehicle if that vehicle meets the safety and equipment requirements set for
6 passenger vehicles by this state or meets federal motor vehicle safety standards for
7 low-speed vehicles.

8 * **Sec. 2.** AS 28.10.421(b) is amended to read:

9 (b) The biennial registration fees under this subsection are imposed within the
10 following classifications for:

11 (1) a passenger vehicle, a low-speed vehicle, or motor home not used
12 or maintained for the transportation of persons or property for hire or for other
13 commercial use \$100;

14 (2) a pick-up truck or a van not exceeding 10,000 pounds unladen
15 weight and not registered in the name of a company or business \$100;

- 1 (3) a taxicab \$160;
- 2 (4) a motor bus with a seating capacity for 20 or more persons and
- 3 used exclusively for commercial purposes in the transporting of visitors or tourists
- 4\$300;
- 5 (5) a motorcycle or a motor-driven cycle..... \$60;
- 6 (6) a trailer not used or maintained for the transportation of persons or
- 7 property for hire or for other commercial use, including, but not limited to, a boat
- 8 trailer, baggage trailer, box trailer, utility trailer, house trailer, travel trailer, or a trailer
- 9 rented or offered for rent \$30.

10 * **Sec. 3.** AS 28.35 is amended by adding a new section to article 5 to read:

11 **Sec. 28.35.261. Operation of low-speed vehicles.** (a) The operator of a low-
12 speed vehicle is subject to all the traffic and other laws applicable to operators of
13 passenger vehicles.

14 (b) The operator of a low-speed vehicle may not operate that vehicle on a
15 highway that has a maximum speed of more than 35 miles an hour. Notwithstanding
16 this subsection, the operator of a low-speed vehicle may cross a highway that has a
17 maximum speed limit of more than 35 miles an hour if the crossing is made at the
18 intersection with a highway that is authorized for low-speed vehicles.

19 (c) Notwithstanding AS 28.01.010, a municipality may further restrict the
20 operation of low-speed vehicles within its jurisdiction.

21 * **Sec. 4.** AS 28.40.100(a) is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

22 (27) "low-speed vehicle" has the meaning given in federal law.