

SENATE BILL NO. 157

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 3/31/05

Referred: Labor and Commerce, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the maximum annual regulatory cost charge collected from certain**
2 **regulated public utilities and pipeline carriers; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 42.05.254(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A regulated public utility operating in the state shall pay to the commission
6 an annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed the maximum percentage
7 of adjusted gross revenue that applies to the utility sector of which the utility is a part.
8 The regulatory cost charges that the commission expects to collect from all regulated
9 utilities may not exceed the sum of the following percentages of the total adjusted
10 gross revenue of all regulated public utilities derived from operations in the state: (1)
11 not more than .9 [.7] percent to fund the operations of the commission, and (2) not
12 more than .17 percent to fund operations of the public advocacy function under
13 AS 42.04.070(c) and AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law. An exempt
14 utility shall pay the actual cost of services provided to it by the commission.

1 * **Sec. 2.** AS 42.05.254(a) is amended to read:

2 (a) A regulated public utility operating in the state shall pay to the commission
3 an annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed the maximum percentage
4 of adjusted gross revenue that applies to the utility section of which the utility is a part.
5 The regulatory cost charges that the commission expects to collect from all regulated
6 utilities may not exceed the sum of the following percentages of the total adjusted
7 gross revenue of all regulated public utilities derived from operations in the state: (1)
8 not more than .7 [.9] percent to fund the operations of the commission, and (2) not
9 more than .17 percent to fund operations of the public advocacy function under
10 AS 42.04.070(c) and AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law. An exempt
11 utility shall pay the actual cost of services provided to it by the commission.

12 * **Sec. 3.** AS 42.06.286(a) is amended to read:

13 (a) A pipeline carrier operating in the state shall pay to the commission an
14 annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed the sum of the following
15 percentages of gross revenue derived from operations in the state: (1) not more than .9
16 [.7] percent to fund the operations of the commission, and (2) not more than .17
17 percent to fund operations of the public advocacy function under AS 42.04.070(c) and
18 AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law. A regulatory cost charge may not be
19 assessed on pipeline carrier operations unless the operations are within the jurisdiction
20 of the commission.

21 * **Sec. 4.** AS 42.06.286(a) is amended to read:

22 (a) A pipeline carrier operating in the state shall pay to the commission an
23 annual regulatory cost charge in an amount not to exceed the sum of the following
24 percentages of gross revenue derived from operations in the state: (1) not more than .7
25 [.9] percent to fund the operations of the commission, and (2) not more than .17
26 percent to fund operations of the public advocacy function under AS 42.04.070(c) and
27 AS 44.23.020(e) within the Department of Law. A regulatory cost charge may not be
28 assessed on pipeline carrier operations unless the operations are within the jurisdiction
29 of the commission.

30 * **Sec. 5.** Sections 1 and 3 of this Act take effect July 1, 2005.

31 * **Sec. 6.** Sections 2 and 4 of this Act take effect July 1, 2008.