

SENATE BILL NO. 3005

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - THIRD SPECIAL SESSION

BY THE SENATE RULES COMMITTEE BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

Introduced: 7/27/06

Referred: Judiciary

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to contempt of court and to temporary detention and identification of
2 persons."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 09.50.020(a) is amended to read:

5 (a) A person who is guilty of contempt

6 (1) may be punished [IS PUNISHABLE] by a fine of not more than
7 \$300 or by imprisonment for not more than six months for a contempt under

8 (A) AS 09.50.010(1) or (2);

9 (B) AS 09.50.010(3) - (12) if . HOWEVER, WHEN THE
10 CONTEMPT IS ONE MENTIONED IN AS 09.50.010(3) - (12), OR IN AN
11 ACTION BEFORE A MAGISTRATE, THE PERSON IS PUNISHABLE BY
12 A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$100 UNLESS] it appears that a right or
13 remedy of a party to an action or proceeding was defeated or prejudiced by the
14 contempt; or

1 **(C) AS 09.50.010(5) or 09.50.010(10) if the conduct involves**
 2 **the failure to honor a subpoena or refusal to be sworn or answer as a**
 3 **witness in connection with a civil or criminal court proceeding or an**
 4 **appearance before the grand jury;**

5 **(2) may be punished by a fine of not more than \$100 for a**
 6 **contempt under AS 09.50.010(3) - (12), except as otherwise provided in (1)(B) or**
 7 **(1)(C) of this subsection** [, IN WHICH CASE THE PENALTY SHALL BE AS
 8 PRESCRIBED FOR CONTEMPTS DESCRIBED IN AS 09.50.010(1) AND (2)].

9 * **Sec. 2.** AS 12.50 is amended by adding a new section to read:

10 **Article 3. Temporary Detention and Identification of Persons.**

11 **Sec. 12.50.201. Temporary detention and identification of persons.** (a) A
 12 peace officer may temporarily detain a person under circumstances that give the
 13 officer reasonable suspicion that

14 (1) the person

15 (A) witnessed the commission of a crime against a person
 16 under AS 11.41 or a felony property crime under AS 11.46; or

17 (B) was at the scene, or in the vicinity, during the commission
 18 of a crime against a person under AS 11.41 or a felony property crime under
 19 AS 11.46;

20 (2) the person has information of material aid in the investigation of
 21 that crime; and

22 (3) the temporary detention of the person is reasonably necessary to
 23 obtain or verify the identification of the person, to obtain an account of the crime, to
 24 protect a crime victim from imminent harm, or for other exigent circumstances.

25 (b) A peace officer who temporarily detains a person under (a) of this section
 26 may

27 (1) detain the person only as long as reasonably necessary to
 28 accomplish the purposes of that subsection;

29 (2) take one or more photographs of the person, if photographs can be
 30 taken without unreasonably delaying the person or removing the person from the
 31 vicinity;

1 (3) serve a subpoena on the person to appear before the grand jury
2 where the crime was committed, if the person fails to provide valid government-issued
3 photographic identification; and

4 (4) take the person's fingerprint impressions if

5 (A) the person is detained in connection with the investigation
6 of a murder, attempted murder, or misconduct involving weapons in the first
7 degree under AS 11.61.190; and

8 (B) fingerprint impressions can be taken without unreasonably
9 delaying the person or removing the person from the vicinity.

10 (c) A peace officer electing to serve a subpoena under (b) of this section may
11 not require the person to sign the subpoena or another document. The officer or the
12 subpoena must advise the person that failure to honor the subpoena is punishable as
13 criminal contempt of court under AS 09.50.010. A person receiving a subpoena to
14 testify under (b) of this section may request the district attorney to withdraw the
15 subpoena if, before the grand jury proceeding for which the person has been served a
16 subpoena to appear, the person provides the peace officer who served the subpoena
17 with valid government-issued photographic identification.

18 (d) Photographs or fingerprints taken under (b) of this section

19 (1) may be used for identification purposes only, and not for criminal
20 investigative purposes unless it is determined that the person is suspected of
21 committing the crime under investigation; and

22 (2) must be destroyed upon the earlier of the following occurrences
23 unless it is determined that the person is suspected of committing the crime under
24 investigation:

25 (A) the person has testified in a grand jury or court proceeding
26 in connection with the matter under investigation; or

27 (B) completion of the prosecution of the crime being
28 investigated.

29 (e) A person who refuses or resists the taking of photographs or fingerprints
30 under this section commits a class B misdemeanor, punishable as provided in
31 AS 12.55, except that a sentence of imprisonment, if imposed, may not exceed 10

1 days.