



AMENDMENT #4

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BY REPRESENTATIVE GARA

TO: HCS CSSB 4002(FIN)

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1 Page 1, line 1, following "fund;": *(title amendment)*

2 Insert "relating to heating assistance;"

4 Page 3, following line 27:

5 Insert new bill sections to read:

6 **"* Sec. 5.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
7 read:

8 STATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FEDERAL LOW-INCOME HEATING AND
9 ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. (a) This section applies to heating assistance
10 payments authorized to persons under 7 AAC 44, adopted under the authority of
11 AS 47.05.010.

12 (b) Notwithstanding another provision of law, for the period beginning October 1,
13 2008, and ending June 30, 2011, to supplement provisions of the federal low-income heating
14 ~~and~~ energy assistance program provided under 42 U.S.C. 8621 - 8629 (Low-Income Home *home*
15 Energy Assistance Act of 1981), as amended, subject to legislative appropriation of state
16 general funds for the purpose, the Department of Health and Social Services shall increase the
17 amount of a heating assistance payment.

18 (c) Amounts payable under this section shall be calculated by application of the
19 assistance formula set out in 7 AAC 44.080, as those provisions read on the effective date of
20 this section, and shall be made from the appropriation described in (b) of this section. The
21 dollar value of a community heating cost point under 7 AAC 44.080 may not exceed \$170.

22 *** Sec. 6.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
23 read:

1 STATE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ALASKA HEATING ASSISTANCE
2 PROGRAM. For the period beginning October 1, 2008, and ending June 30, 2011, amounts
3 payable under AS 47.25.621 - 47.25.625 shall be calculated by application of the assistance
4 formula set out in 7 AAC 44.080, as those provisions read on the effective date of this section,
5 and the dollar value of a community heating cost point under 7 AAC 44.080 may not exceed
6 \$170."

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8 Renumber the following bill sections accordingly.