

**CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 405(MLV)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS' AFFAIRS

Offered: 4/2/08

Referred: Health, Education and Social Services, Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES CRAWFORD, Kawasaki, Doll, Kerttula

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 "An Act relating to repayment of a percentage of student loans for a member of the  
2 armed forces deployed since 2001."

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

4 \* **Section 1.** AS 14.43 is amended by adding a new section to read:

5 **Sec. 14.43.925. Loan repayment for certain military personnel.** (a) A  
6 portion of a loan made to a borrower by the commission shall be repaid by the state if  
7 the borrower is a resident of the state, and

8 (1) has served in the armed forces;

9 (2) was deployed to provide direct or indirect support for the global  
10 war on terrorism;

11 (3) if discharged from the armed forces, was discharged in honorable  
12 status; and

13 (4) is in good standing for the repayment of the loan and in full  
14 compliance with the terms and conditions of the loan.

1           (b) The portion of the loan that shall be repaid by the state under this section is  
2 50 percent of the total unpaid balance of the loan, plus interest, not to exceed \$20,000.

3           (c) Repayment of a portion of a loan under this section is subject to  
4 appropriation and is not a financial obligation of the corporation.

5           (d) The commission may adopt regulations to implement this section.

6           (e) In this section, "armed forces" means the armed services or forces of the  
7 United States, the United States Coast Guard, or the Alaska National Guard or Naval  
8 Militia.

9       \* **Sec. 2.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to  
10 read:

11           **APPLICABILITY.** The provisions of this Act apply to loans that have an outstanding  
12 balance on the effective date of this Act and to loans made after the effective date of this Act.