

**HOUSE BILL NO. 411**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA  
TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

**BY REPRESENTATIVE GRUENBERG**

**Introduced: 2/19/08**

**Referred: State Affairs, Rules**

**A BILL****FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to introduction of measures."**

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

3 \* **Section 1.** AS 24.08.035 is amended to read:

4           **Sec. 24.08.035. Fiscal notes on bills.** (a) Before a bill or resolution, except an  
5 appropriation bill, is reported from the committee of first referral, there shall be  
6 attached to the bill a fiscal note containing an estimate of the amount of the  
7 appropriation increase or decrease that would result from enactment of the bill for the  
8 current fiscal year and five succeeding fiscal years or, if the bill has no fiscal impact, a  
9 statement to that effect shall be attached. The fiscal note or statement shall be prepared  
10 in conformity with the requirements of this section by the department or departments  
11 affected and may be reviewed by the office of management and budget. The fiscal  
12 note or statement shall be delivered to the committee requesting it within three days  
13 **after** [OF] the request. If the bill is presented by the governor **or by the chief justice**  
14 **of the Alaska Supreme Court** for introduction in accordance with AS 24.08.060(b)  
15 and the uniform rules of the legislature, the fiscal note or statement shall be attached to

1 the bill before the bill is introduced. An amendment or a substitute bill proposed by a  
 2 committee of referral that changes the fiscal impact of a bill shall be explained in a  
 3 revised fiscal note or statement attached to the bill.

4 (b) In addition to the fiscal note required by this section, the **prime** sponsor of  
 5 a bill or resolution, **or all joint prime sponsors acting together**, may prepare a fiscal  
 6 note in conformity with the requirements of this section and submit it to the committee  
 7 of first referral or the finance committee. A committee may prepare an additional  
 8 fiscal note in conformity with the requirements of this section.

9 (c) A fiscal note for a bill or resolution must contain the following  
 10 information:

- 11 (1) the fiscal impact on existing programs;
- 12 (2) the fiscal impact of new programs or activities;
- 13 (3) a line item detail of the fiscal impact;
- 14 (4) the source of funds expected to be **used** [UTILIZED] by general  
 15 fund source, federal fund source, or other identified source;
- 16 (5) the number of new positions that may be required, identified as  
 17 full-time, part-time, or temporary;
- 18 (6) an analysis of how the figures in the fiscal note were derived;
- 19 (7) additional information necessary to explain the fiscal note;
- 20 (8) a fiscal impact projection for the current fiscal year and for the  
 21 succeeding five fiscal years; and
- 22 (9) formal information consisting of
  - 23 (A) the bill or resolution number; [,]
  - 24 (B) the name of the prime **sponsor or the names of the joint**  
 25 **prime** sponsors; [,]
  - 26 (C) the date the fiscal note was prepared; [,]
  - 27 (D) the name of the committee requesting the fiscal note; [,]
  - 28 (E) the name and **telephone** [PHONE] number of the person  
 29 who prepared the fiscal note; [,] and
  - 30 (F) the budget request unit, program, or subprogram affected.
- 31 (d) The original of a fiscal note shall be submitted to the Division of

1 Legislative Finance and copies shall be sent to the prime sponsor **or to each of the**  
 2 **joint prime sponsors**, the committee requesting the fiscal note, and the office of  
 3 management and budget.

4 (e) Repealed.

5 \* **Sec. 2.** AS 24.08.050 is amended to read:

6 **Sec. 24.08.050. Prefiling of bills and resolutions.** Any member of the  
 7 legislature whose term extends into a forthcoming **regular** session [OR  
 8 LEGISLATURE], or a member-elect, may **request** [FILE] a bill or resolution or a  
 9 proposal for a bill or resolution **for prefiling as prime sponsor from** [WITH] the  
 10 Legislative Affairs Agency at any time before January 1. **A group of members or**  
 11 **members-elect may request a measure for prefiling as joint prime sponsors.** The  
 12 agency shall place a prefiled bill or resolution, which is approved by the **prime**  
 13 **sponsor or by all joint prime sponsors**, in proper form and deliver it to the chief clerk  
 14 **or secretary** of the appropriate house on the day on which the next session convenes  
 15 or is organized for business. Prefiled bills or resolutions shall be considered as  
 16 introduced on the day of their delivery to each house.

17 \* **Sec. 3.** AS 24.08.060 is amended to read:

18 **Sec. 24.08.060. Introduction of measures [BILLS].** (a) A member of the  
 19 legislature, **a group of members**, or a committee **chair** [CHAIRMAN], with the  
 20 concurrence of a majority of the active members of the committee and on behalf of the  
 21 committee, may introduce a bill or resolution. Bills and resolutions shall be prepared  
 22 and introduced in the manner and form prescribed in the uniform rules and the  
 23 legislative style manual.

24 (b) **Measures** [BILLS] introduced by the legislative council shall be delivered  
 25 with a letter of explanation to the rules committee of either house and bear the  
 26 inscription "Rules Committee by Request of the Legislative Council." **Measures** [  
 27 BILLS] introduced by the Administrative Regulation Review Committee shall be  
 28 delivered with a letter of explanation to the rules committee of either house and bear  
 29 the inscription "Rules Committee by Request of the Administrative Regulation  
 30 Review Committee." **Measures** [; BILLS] introduced by the Legislative Budget and  
 31 Audit Committee shall be delivered with a letter of explanation to the rules committee

1 of either house and bear the inscription "Rules Committee by Request of the  
2 Legislative Budget and Audit Committee." **Measures** [BILLS] presented by the  
3 governor shall be delivered with a letter to the rules committee of either house and  
4 bear the inscription "Rules Committee by Request of the Governor." **They** [; BILLS  
5 SO PRESENTED AND INSCRIBED] shall be received as **measures** [BILLS]  
6 carrying the approval of the governor as to policy and budget impact. The governor  
7 may submit a statement of purpose and effect with each **measure** [BILL] and appear  
8 personally or through a representative before any committee considering **the**  
9 **proposed** legislation. **Measures presented by the chief justice of the Alaska**  
10 **Supreme Court shall be delivered with a letter to the rules committee of either**  
11 **house and bear the inscription "Rules Committee by Request of the Chief**  
12 **Justice." They shall be received as measures carrying the approval of the chief**  
13 **justice as to policy. The chief justice may submit a statement of purpose and**  
14 **effect with each measure and appear personally or through a representative**  
15 **before any committee considering the proposed legislation.**