

**CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 40(HES)**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY THE SENATE HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Offered: 3/2/07

Referred: State Affairs, Finance

Sponsor(s): SENATOR WIELECHOWSKI

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to reapplications for the Alaska longevity bonus program; and**  
2 **providing for an effective date."**

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

4 \* **Section 1.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section  
5 to read:

6 REAPPLICATION FOR LONGEVITY BONUS. (a) Notwithstanding AS 47.45.020  
7 and the requirement under AS 47.45.010(a) that applications for longevity bonus payments  
8 must be filed not later than December 31, 1996, a person who qualified to receive a monthly  
9 longevity bonus payment under AS 47.45.010(a) before January 1, 1997, and was eligible for  
10 a longevity bonus payment for June of 2003 or did not receive that bonus payment solely as a  
11 result of complying with AS 47.45.030(a) may reapply to the commissioner of health and  
12 social services for monthly longevity bonus payments if the person is a resident under  
13 AS 01.10.055 on the day the reapplication form is signed and dated by the applicant.

14 (b) A reapplication under this section must be filed before January 1, 2008. The

1 Department of Health and Social Services shall prepare a reapplication form for use under this  
2 section and may require evidence of eligibility for a longevity payment bonus payment as part  
3 of the reapplication process.

4 (c) If the Department of Health and Social Services determines that a person who  
5 reapplies meets the requirements of (a) of this section and is otherwise eligible under  
6 AS 47.45.030(c) and 47.45.070, the amount of the person's monthly bonus payment shall be  
7 the amount the person was eligible to receive under AS 47.45.010(a)(1) - (4).

8 \* **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect immediately under AS 01.10.070(c).