

**SENATE BILL NO. 278**

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

**BY SENATORS WIELECHOWSKI, McGuire**

**Introduced: 2/19/08**

**Referred: State Affairs**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to information from veterans on the permanent fund dividend**  
2 **application form."**

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

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 43.23.015 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (j) The application form for claiming a permanent fund dividend must include  
6 a place for the applicant to voluntarily indicate that the applicant is a veteran, the  
7 branch of service, and the dates of service. Notwithstanding AS 43.23.017, the  
8 department shall release information provided under this subsection to the Department  
9 of Military and Veterans' Affairs and, on request of a veterans service organization in  
10 the state, to that organization for the purpose of allowing the organization to  
11 communicate with veterans regarding available benefits. The department may not  
12 otherwise release the information. The application form must contain notice that  
13 providing the information under this subsection is not mandatory, that the information  
14 will be released by the department as provided in this subsection, and that the

1 recipients of the information are not required to keep it confidential.