

**SENATE BILL NO. 181**

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

**BY SENATOR DYSON**

**Introduced: 4/6/09**

**Referred: Health and Social Services, Judiciary**

**A BILL**

**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to ultrasounds and specified procedures for informed consent for an**  
2 **abortion."**

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

4 **\* Section 1.** AS 18.16.060 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

5 (e) In addition to the information provided under (a) - (c) of this section, if an  
6 ultrasound examination or the results of an ultrasound examination are used by a  
7 physician for the purpose of performing an abortion, the physician or other person  
8 performing the ultrasound examination shall

9 (1) meet image quality standards that apply to an ultrasound  
10 examination of an unborn child that are consistent with the standard of medical  
11 practice in the community;

12 (2) simultaneously display the ultrasound image to allow the pregnant  
13 person to see the image voluntarily in a way that does not prevent the person from  
14 averting the person's eyes or otherwise avoiding seeing the image;

- 1                   (3) on request of the pregnant person undergoing the ultrasound,  
2 provide a medical description of the displayed ultrasound image that includes  
3                   (A) the dimensions of the unborn child; and  
4                   (B) if present and viewable, the presence in the unborn child of  
5                         (i) cardiac activity;  
6                         (ii) external members; and  
7                         (iii) internal organs.