

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 182(STA)

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY THE HOUSE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Offered: 1/23/12

Referred: Finance

Sponsor(s): REPRESENTATIVES JOHANSEN, Kerttula, Hawker, Peggy Wilson, Petersen, Lynn, Gara, Costello

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to distribution of reports by state agencies."**

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

3 * **Section 1.** AS 44.99 is amended by adding new sections to read:

4 **Article 3A. Distribution of Agency Reports.**

5 **Sec. 44.99.360. Electronic distribution.** (a) A state agency required by statute
6 to produce and distribute a report shall, if the agency has the technological capability
7 to do so, provide copies electronically and post the report on the agency's Internet
8 website in a manner accessible to the public. An agency may not produce print copies
9 of reports except as

10 (1) required

11 (A) under AS 14.56.120;

12 (B) by agreement;

13 (C) by federal law; or

14 (2) requested under AS 44.99.370 or specifically approved by the
15 commissioner of the department.

1 (b) Except as provided in (a) of this section, electronic distribution and
2 electronic posting on a state agency's Internet website fulfills any obligation in state
3 law to publish, prepare, present, or submit a report.

4 **Sec. 44.99.370. Print copy requests.** A person may obtain a print copy of a
5 report from the state library distribution and data access center under AS 14.56.170.

6 **Sec. 44.99.390. Definition.** In AS 44.99.360 - 44.99.390, "state agency" means
7 a department, institution, board, commission, division, authority, public corporation,
8 committee, or other administrative unit of the executive branch of state government,
9 including the University of Alaska, the Alaska Railroad Corporation, the Alaska
10 Permanent Fund Corporation, and the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation.