

SENATE BILL NO. 11

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

BY SENATORS DAVIS, French, Ellis

Introduced: 1/19/11

Referred: Judiciary, Finance

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to the commission of a crime when the defendant directed the conduct**
2 **constituting the crime at the victim based on the victim's race, sex, color, creed, physical**
3 **or mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, or national origin."**

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

5 * **Section 1.** AS 11.76 is amended by adding a new section to read:

6 **Sec. 11.76.150. Motivation by prejudice, bias, or hatred.** (a) A person
7 commits the crime of motivation by prejudice, bias, or hatred if the person commits a
8 crime in this title and the person knowingly directed the conduct constituting the crime
9 at the victim of the crime because of the victim's race, sex, color, creed, physical or
10 mental disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, or national origin.

11 (b) In this section, "gender identity" means actual or perceived gender-related
12 characteristics.

13 (c) Motivation by prejudice, bias, or hatred is a

14 (1) class A misdemeanor if the crime committed is a class B

1 misdemeanor;

2 (2) class C felony if the crime committed is a class A misdemeanor;

3 (3) class B felony if the crime committed is a class C felony;

4 (4) class A felony if the crime committed is a class B felony;

5 (5) unclassified felony and the defendant shall be sentenced to a
6 definite term of imprisonment of at least five years but not more than 99 years if the
7 crime committed is a class A felony.

8 * **Sec. 2.** AS 12.55.155(c)(22) is amended to read:

9 (22) the defendant knowingly directed the conduct constituting the
10 offense at a victim because of that person's race, sex, color, creed, physical or mental
11 disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, ancestry, or national origin; in this
12 paragraph, "gender identity" means actual or perceived gender-related
13 characteristics;