

HOUSE BILL NO. 348

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

BY REPRESENTATIVE RAUSCHER

Introduced: 2/22/22

Referred: Transportation, State Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 **"An Act relating to abandoned vehicles."**

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

3 *** Section 1.** AS 28.11.010(d) is amended to read:

4 (d) Except as otherwise provided in (b) of this section, the lawful owner of a
5 vehicle, as shown by the records of the department, whether or not the owner has
6 complied with the provisions of AS 28.10.271, is considered responsible for the
7 abandonment of the vehicle and is liable for the cost of removal and disposition of the
8 abandoned vehicle [UNLESS

9 (1) THE VEHICLE WAS ABANDONED BY A PERSON DRIVING
10 THE VEHICLE WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER; OR

11 (2) THE IDENTITY OF THE PERSON ABANDONING THE
12 VEHICLE IS ESTABLISHED AND THE ABANDONMENT WAS WITHOUT THE
13 CONSENT OF THE OWNER].

14 *** Sec. 2.** AS 28.11.030(a) is amended to read:

15 (a) A peace officer or an employee authorized by the state or a municipality

1 **(1) shall** [MAY] remove or have removed to a place for storage a
2 vehicle abandoned on a highway **or** [, ON] a vehicular way or area **within seven days**
3 **after the date the vehicle is abandoned under AS 28.11.020(a);** [,] or

4 **(2) may remove or have removed to a place for storage a vehicle**
5 **abandoned** on private property.

6 * **Sec. 3.** The uncodified law of the State of Alaska is amended by adding a new section to
7 read:

8 APPLICABILITY. AS 28.11.010(d), as amended by sec. 1 of this Act, and
9 AS 28.11.030(a), as amended by sec. 2 of this Act, apply to vehicles abandoned on or after
10 the effective date of this Act.