

HOUSE BILL NO. 345

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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Referred: Community and Regional Affairs

A BILL**FOR AN ACT ENTITLED**

1 **"An Act relating to safety ladders at municipal harbor facilities; relating to the harbor**
 2 **facility grant fund; and providing for an effective date."**

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

4 *** Section 1.** AS 29.60.810 is amended to read:

5 **Sec. 29.60.810. Grant applications.** A municipality or regional housing
 6 authority that owns a harbor facility may submit to the Department of Transportation
 7 and Public Facilities an application for a harbor facility grant to be used for
 8 construction, expansion, major repair, or major maintenance of a harbor facility. The
 9 application must include information about the project requested by the department.
 10 For a proposed project to be eligible for a grant, the municipality or regional housing
 11 authority must provide evidence acceptable to the department that the

12 (1) proposed project is a capital improvement project and not part of a
 13 preventive maintenance program or regular custodial care program;

14 (2) municipality or regional housing authority will provide 50 percent

1 of the total project cost as matching funds for the state grant and that money received
 2 by the municipality or regional housing authority from the state will not be used for
 3 the matching funds except money received under

4 (A) AS 29.60.850 - 29.60.879 (community assistance
 5 program);

6 (B) AS 29.60.450, AS 43.75.130, and 43.75.137 (shared
 7 fisheries business taxes);

8 (C) AS 43.52.200 - 43.52.295 (excise tax on overnight
 9 accommodations on commercial passenger vessels); and

10 (D) a transfer agreement between the state and a municipality
 11 for a sale under AS 35.10.120;

12 (3) municipality or regional housing authority has secured and will
 13 maintain adequate property loss insurance for the replacement cost of the harbor
 14 facility or has an adequate program of insurance;

15 (4) municipality or regional housing authority has a preventive
 16 maintenance plan for the harbor facility and will be adequately adhering to the
 17 preventive maintenance plan after completion of the proposed project; **and**

18 **(5) harbor facility has safety ladders installed on the harbor**
 19 **facility's floats or the proposed project will include safety ladders on the harbor**
 20 **facility's new floats.**

21 * **Sec. 2.** This Act takes effect July 1, 2024.