

HOUSE BILL NO. 345 am S

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

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**Amended: 5/14/24
Introduced: 2/20/24**

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

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

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

5 *** Section 1.** AS 26.23.090 is amended by adding a new subsection to read:

6 (d) An individual or family that is a unit owner may use a grant made to the
7 unit owner under (b)(2) of this section to meet the unit's common expense liability that
8 is associated with the disaster. In this subsection, "common expense liability," "unit,"
9 and "unit owner" have the meanings given in AS 34.08.990.

10 *** Sec. 2.** AS 29.60.810 is amended to read:

11 **Sec. 29.60.810. Grant applications.** A municipality or regional housing
12 authority that owns a harbor facility may submit to the Department of Transportation
13 and Public Facilities an application for a harbor facility grant to be used for
14 construction, expansion, major repair, or major maintenance of a harbor facility. The

1 application must include information about the project requested by the department.
 2 For a proposed project to be eligible for a grant, the municipality or regional housing
 3 authority must provide evidence acceptable to the department that the

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

6 (2) municipality or regional housing authority will provide 50 percent
 7 of the total project cost as matching funds for the state grant and that money received
 8 by the municipality or regional housing authority from the state will not be used for
 9 the matching funds except money received under

10 (A) AS 29.60.850 - 29.60.879 (community assistance
 11 program);

12 (B) AS 29.60.450, AS 43.75.130, and 43.75.137 (shared
 13 fisheries business taxes);

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

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

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

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

24 **(5) harbor facility has safety ladders installed on the harbor**
 25 **facility's floats or the proposed project will include safety ladders on the harbor**
 26 **facility's new floats.**

27 * **Sec. 3.** Section 2 of this Act takes effect July 1, 2024.