

HOUSE BILL NO. 227

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

THIRTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

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Introduced: 5/14/25

Referred: Community and Regional Affairs, State Affairs

A BILL

FOR AN ACT ENTITLED

1 "An Act relating to notice requirements allowing museums to acquire title to
2 undocumented property."

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

4 * **Section 1.** AS 14.57.210(b) is amended to read:

5 (b) To acquire title under (a) of this section, the museum shall publish a notice
6 **for at least four consecutive weeks on a dedicated Internet webpage maintained**
7 **by the museum responsible for the undocumented property and** at least once a
8 week for four consecutive weeks in **either** a newspaper of general circulation in the
9 judicial district where the museum is located **or on a social media account**
10 **maintained by the museum.** The notice must include

11 (1) a brief and general description of the property;

12 (2) the date or approximate date, if known, of the acquisition of the
13 property by the museum;

14 (3) the name, address, **electronic mail address,** and telephone number

1 of the museum representative to contact for more information or to make a claim of
2 ownership;

3 (4) the initial date of publication on the Internet webpage [DATE
4 OF THE LAST PUBLICATION OF THE NOTICE UNDER THIS SUBSECTION];
5 and

6 (5) a statement that the museum will acquire title to the property if a
7 valid claim of an owner to the property is not received by the museum within 45 days
8 from the date of the last publication of the notice under this subsection.