

IN THE HOUSE

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAILEY

HOUSE BILL NO. 168

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA

TWENTY-SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the crime of reckless driving; providing for the included offense of negligent driving; amending Section 50-5-4 ACIA 1949."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF ALASKA:

Section 1. Section 50-5-4 ACIA 1949 is hereby amended by adding a new paragraph to read as follows:

Section 50-5-4. RECKLESS DRIVING; INCLUDED OFFENSE OF NEGLIGENT DRIVING.

(1) Any person who drives any automobile, motorcycle or other motor vehicle upon any public street or highway in this Territory, carelessly, heedlessly or in wilful or wanton disregard of the rights or safety of others or without due caution and circumspection, or at a speed or in any manner so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property, shall be guilty of reckless driving, and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of not more than One Thousand Dollars, or by imprisonment for a period of not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

(2) It shall be unlawful for any person to operate a motor vehicle in a negligent manner over and along the public highways. To operate in a negligent manner means the operation of a vehicle upon the highways in such a manner as to

1 endanger or be likely to endanger any persons or property.

2 The offense of operating a vehicle in a negligent  
3 manner shall be considered to be a lesser offense than, but  
4 included in, the offense of operating a vehicle in a reckless  
5 manner, and any person charged with operating a vehicle in a  
6 reckless manner may be convicted of the lesser offense of  
7 operating a vehicle in a negligent manner. Any person viola-  
8 ting the provisions of this Section will be guilty of a mis-  
9 demeanor. The operator's license of a person may be revoked  
10 for the crime of operating a motor vehicle in a negligent  
11 manner, at the discretion of the Court.

12 In addition to the revocation of operator's license,  
13 any person violating these provisions shall also be subject  
14 to a fine of not less than Fifty Dollars nor more than Five  
15 Hundred Dollars, or imprisonment for not less than three  
16 days, nor more than one year, or both such fine and imprison-  
17 ment.