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IN THE SENATE

BY RULES COMMITTEE

SENATE BILL NO. 163

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

SECOND LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to privileged communications between news media and their sources of information."

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

Section 1. A publisher, editor, reporter, or other person connected with or employed by a newspaper, magazine, radio station or television station cannot be adjudged in contempt by a court, the legislature, or any administrative body, for refusing to disclose the source of any information procured for publication and published in a newspaper or magazine, broadcast over a radio station or telecast over a television station.

Sec. 2. This Act shall not prevent the State Supreme Court, by unanimous order, from adjudging a contempt for refusing to disclose the source of information before the Supreme Court when the request is made by that body.