

1 IN THE SENATE

BY SENATOR B. PHILLIPS

2 SENATE BILL NO. 273

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SECOND LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the Travel Regulation
7 Act of 1957; and providing for an effective
8 date."

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

10 Section 1. Sec. 7, Ch. 60, SLA 1957, is repealed and re-
11 enacted to read:

12 Sec. 7. TRAVEL COSTS: TRAVEL OUTSIDE THE STATE. (a)
13 The Department of Administration shall not pay an official or
14 employee for per diem or transportation costs unless his
15 travel is clearly necessary to benefit the state.

16 (b) The Department of Administration may not reimburse
17 an official or employee nor may it pay for more than the
18 lowest tourist class fare for the most direct route unless
19 (1) tourist class accommodation is not available; (2) wait-
20 ing for tourist class accommodation would occasion a delay
21 harmful to the state; or (3) the Department of Administra-
22 tion finds that travel by tourist class accommodation is not
23 in the best interest of the state, and authorizes other
24 accommodation. When the Department of Administration auth-
25 orizes more expensive travel under (3) of this subsection, it
26 shall file a justification for that authorization with the
27 travel voucher. When fares other than tourist class are
28 authorized under this subsection, the Department of Adminis-
29 tration may not reimburse the official or employee nor may it

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pay for more than the lowest first class fare available.

(c) Officials and employees are authorized to travel only the least number of days necessary to transact the business involved, to secure return passage, and to return.

(d) Every official and employee shall, unless otherwise authorized by law to travel outside the state, obtain prior approval for travel outside the state from the head of his department, or from his immediate supervisor, or from the Department of Administration, if he is not within a department or is not under the direct supervision of an official or supervisor. If any employee deviates materially from the travel authorized under this section, he must obtain approval for the deviation from the person who approved the travel before the Department of Administration may reimburse him for his travel.

Sec. 2. This Act takes effect on the day after its passage and approval or on the day it becomes law without such approval.