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1 IN THE HOUSE BY THE STATE AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 4

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act to put shipping subsidies under the  
7 Public Service Commission; and requiring  
8 applicant to file tariff and route schedule  
9 with application.

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

11 \* Section 1. AS 30.05 is amended to read:

12 Chapter 05. SHIPPING SUBSIDIES.

13 Sec. 30.05.010. SUBSIDIES TO FREIGHT CARRIERS. (a) The  
14 Public Service Commission [GOVERNOR] may pay a sum of money  
15 not to exceed \$10,000 a year to the owner or charterer of a  
16 vessel of American registry who operates the vessel as a com-  
17 mon carrier of freight and mail to and from points the Public  
18 Service Commission [GOVERNOR] designates.

19 (b) Application for subsidy shall be made to the Public  
20 Service Commission in the form and manner designated by the  
21 Commission. The applicant shall file with the application a  
22 tariff of freight rates and a route schedule.

23 Sec. 30.05.020. PAYMENT OF SUBSIDIES. The subsidy shall  
24 be paid in the installments the Public Service Commission  
25 [GOVERNOR] thinks proper, after proof is submitted to it  
26 [HIM] that the conditions of the contract or subsidy are ful-  
27 filled up to the time of payment. The inability to touch at  
28 a point along the route designated by the Public Service Com-  
29 mission [GOVERNOR] due to a lack of proper docking or harbor

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1 facilities or to stress of weather does not prevent the owner  
2 or charterer from receiving the money otherwise earned, and  
3 is not a cause for reducing the amount of the subsidy. If  
4 the subsidized vessel is lost, wrecked, or damaged, the  
5 Public Service Commission [GOVERNOR] may permit the contract-  
6 or to carry out the service temporarily with another vessel  
7 or ship of American registry that meets with its [HIS]  
8 approval.

9 Sec. 30.05.030. TARIFF OF RATES AND ROUTE SCHEDULE. The  
10 owner or charterer of the vessel awarded the subsidy must  
11 adopt and publish the [A] tariff of freight rates and route  
12 schedule [TO BE] approved by the Public Service Commission  
13 [GOVERNOR]. The tariff must be reasonable, and it is unlaw-  
14 ful for the operator of the vessel to charge more than pro-  
15 vided for in the tariff. The tariff and route schedule must  
16 be published before services are performed under the subsidy.

17 Sec. 30.05.040. REPORT BY OWNER OR CHARTERER. It is a  
18 condition in the awarding of the subsidy that the contractor  
19 agrees to make a report under oath, in form and manner desig-  
20 nated by the Public Service Commission [GOVERNOR] at the end  
21 of each year, giving the following information:

22 (1) tariff sheet of freight rates for the route covered;

23 (2) total tonnage carried;

24 (3) gross earning from freight and mail service rendered  
25 segregating the two amounts;

26 (4) a statement in detail of all expenses incurred and  
27 on what account, the names and addresses of all persons em-  
28 ployed, and the gross earnings and gross expense of the route  
29 covered.