

1 IN THE SENATE

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2 SENATE BILL NO. 266

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 THIRD LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act providing punishment and civil
7 liability for injury to, interference with
8 or obstruction of gas lines."

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

10 * Section 1. AS 42.20.030 is amended to read:

11 Sec. 42.20.030. PUNISHMENT AND CIVIL LIABILITY FOR IN-
12 JURY TO, INTERFERENCE WITH OR OBSTRUCTION OF TELEGRAPH, TELE-
13 PHONE, [OR] ELECTRIC, OR GAS LINES [LINE]. A person is
14 guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction is punishable by
15 a fine of not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more
16 than six months, or by both, and is liable to the company or
17 person whose property is injured, or line obstructed, or
18 current diverted, in a sum equal to three times the amount of
19 the actual damages sustained, and three times the price of the
20 current, light, [OR] power, or gas diverted or used, if he

21 (1) wilfully and maliciously cuts, breaks or
22 throws down a pole, tree, pipeline or other object used in a
23 line of telegraph, telephone, gas line or system for the
24 transmission of light or power by use of electricity, or gas
25 by pipeline, or

26 (2) wilfully and maliciously breaks, displaces or
27 injures an insulator in use in the line, or wilfully and
28 maliciously cuts, breaks and removes from its insulator any
29 wire used for any of the purposes set forth in (1) of this

1 section, or

2 (3) by any interference wilfully and maliciously
3 destroys the insulation of the line, or interrupts the trans-
4 mission of the electric current through it, or wilfully and
5 maliciously destroys the protective wrapping of a gas pipe-
6 line, or

7 (4) wilfully and maliciously injures, molests or
8 destroys property or materials appertaining to any of these
9 lines or belonging to a telegraph, telephone, electric light
10 or power company, or gas company, or

11 (5) wilfully and maliciously interferes with the
12 use of a telegraph, telephone, electric light or power line
13 or gas line, or obstructs or postpones the transmission of a
14 message over a telegraph or telephone line, or procures or
15 advises injury, interference or obstruction to any telegraph,
16 telephone, electric light, power or gas line, or

17 (6) wilfully and maliciously interferes with or
18 alters a meter or other device for the measuring of current,
19 [OR] power or gas, or

20 (7) without the authority of the owner diverts,
21 uses, or appropriates a message or current or taps a wire or
22 line used for the transmission of messages, current, [OR]
23 power or gas, or procures or advises this to be done.
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