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IN THE HOUSE

RULES COMMITTEE
BY REQUEST OF THE GOVERNOR

HOUSE BILL NO. 96

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the transportation of
the mentally ill; and providing for an
effective date."

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

* Section 1. AS 47.30.110 is amended to read:

Sec. 47.30.110. TRANSPORTATION. When an individual is
to be hospitalized under §§ 10 - 340 of this chapter, the
department shall arrange, upon the request of a person having
a proper interest in the individual's hospitalization, and is
authorized to pay for the individual's transportation to the
designated hospital, with appropriate medical or nursing
attendants and by the available means which are appropriate
and suitable. The department may pay return transportation
of an individual and appropriate medical and nursing attend-
ants after a finding under §§ 10 - 340 of this chapter that
the individual is not mentally ill. When practicable, one or
more relatives or friends of the individual to be hospi-
talized shall be permitted to accompany him. [BE ACCOMPANIED
BY ONE OR MORE OF HIS RELATIVES OR FRIENDS, WHO SHALL TRAVEL
AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE.] The department may pay necessary
travel, housing and meal expenses incurred by any relative
or friend in accompanying the individual to the hospital if
the department determines:

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(1) that the best interests of the individual's health require that he be accompanied by the relative or friend; and

(2) the relative or friend accompanying the individual is indigent.

When necessary, the department shall arrange for a peace officer or other suitable person to accompany the individual.

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

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