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IN THE HOUSE BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE
AND EDUCATION COMMITTEE

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 198

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the prevention of
mental retardation resulting from the
disease phenylketonuria."

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

* Section 1. AS 18.15 is amended by adding a new section to
read:

ARTICLE 6. PHENYLKETONURIA (PKU).

Sec. 18.15.200. SCREENING INFANTS FOR PHENYLKETONURIA.

(a) A physician who delivers or attends a newborn infant in
a hospital in this state shall test the infant for
phenylketonuria (PKU) by use of the inhibition assay method.

(b) The test for phenylketonuria is not required for
an infant whose parents consider the test to conflict with
their religious tenets and practices.

(c) Notation that a test for phenylketonuria has been
made shall be entered on the birth certificate for the in-
fant.

(d) A physician shall report a confirmed case of
phenylketonuria to the department.

(e) In this section, "physician" means a doctor of
medicine licensed to practice medicine in this state or an
officer in the regular medical service of the armed forces
of the United States or the United States Public Health
Service assigned to duty in the state.

