

1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE RULES COMMITTEE  
BY REQUEST

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 244

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act permitting treatment of residents  
7 in isolated areas by Public Health Service  
8 dentists and physicians."

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

10 \* Section 1. AS 08.36 is amended by adding a new section to  
11 read:

12 Sec. 08.36.271. PERMITS FOR ISOLATED AREAS. (a) The  
13 Department of Health and Welfare shall designate as isolated  
14 areas those specific places and regions remote from major  
15 population centers which are not served by dentists licensed  
16 under this chapter and which have a geographical location  
17 which works financial hardship, extended loss of time, or  
18 arduous and costly travel upon residents needing dental care.

19 (b) The Department of Health and Welfare may issue an  
20 annual permit authorizing the treatment of residents in an  
21 area designated under (a) of this section, who are not en-  
22 titled to dental care by the state or federal government, by  
23 a dentist employed by the United States Public Health Service  
24 who serves in that area.

25 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.36.350 is amended by adding a new paragraph  
26 to read:

27 (6) dentists in the employ of the United States  
28 Public Health Service providing care by authority of a  
29 permit issued under sec. 271 of this chapter.

1       \* Sec. 3. AS 08.64 is amended by adding a new section to  
2 read:

3               Sec. 08.64.368. PERMITS FOR ISOLATED AREAS. (a) The  
4 Department of Health and Welfare shall designate as isolated  
5 areas those specific places and regions remote from major  
6 population centers which are not served by physicians  
7 licensed under this chapter and which have a geographical  
8 location which works financial hardship, extended loss of  
9 time, or arduous and costly travel upon residents needing  
10 medical care.

11               (b) The Department of Health and Welfare may issue an  
12 annual permit authorizing the treatment of residents in an  
13 area designated under (a) of this section, who are not  
14 entitled to medical care by the state or federal government,  
15 by a physician employed by the United States Public Health  
16 Service who serves in that area.

17       \* Sec. 4. AS 08.64.370 is amended by adding a new paragraph  
18 to read:

19               (4) physicians in the regular medical service of  
20 the United States Public Health Service providing care by  
21 authority of a permit issued under sec. 368 of this chapter.

22       \* Sec. 5. AS 08.36.270 is repealed.

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