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1 IN THE SENATE BY SENATOR PETER

2 SENATE BILL NO. 55

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FOURTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act requiring mandatory reports by
7 physicians and hospitals of injuries in-
8 flicted by shooting, stabbing, or beating."

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

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

11 CHAPTER 67. MANDATORY REPORTS AND RECORDS.

12 ARTICLE 1. REPORTS OF INJURIES INFLICTED BY VIOLENCE.

13 Sec. 11.67.010. PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITALS REQUIRED TO
14 REPORT. (a) A physician who treats a person who has been
15 shot, stabbed, or brutally beaten shall report the injury in
16 accordance with sec. 20 of this chapter.

17 (b) If a person who has been wounded in a manner des-
18 cribed in (a) of this section comes or is brought to a
19 hospital for treatment, the appropriate hospital official
20 shall report the injury in accordance with sec. 20 of this
21 chapter.

22 Sec. 11.67.020. REPORTS. (a) An oral report of the
23 injury shall be made immediately to the nearest law enforce-
24 ment authority, and confirmed by a written report as soon as
25 possible thereafter. In areas of the state where it is
26 impractical to make an oral report, a written report shall be
27 made immediately.

28 (b) Oral and written reports shall contain

29 (1) the name and address of the person treated, if

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(2) information regarding the nature and extent of the wound.

Sec. 11.67.030. PENALTY FOR FAILURE TO REPORT. A physician or hospital official who fails to submit a report required by sec. 10 of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.

Sec. 11.67.040. DEFINITIONS. In secs. 10 - 30 of this chapter

(1) "physician" means a doctor of medicine licensed to practice medicine in the 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;

(2) "law enforcement authority" means the state police or the police department of a political subdivision of the state.

