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1 IN THE HOUSE

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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 201

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act requiring licensing of agencies providing child
7 placement and counseling services.

8 * Section 1. AS 47.35.030 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 47.35.030. AUTHORITY TO ISSUE REGULATIONS. The department
10 may adopt regulations and standards consistent with other requirements
11 of law. This authority does not deny a religious group from establishing
12 and operating an institution solely because of the prior installation
13 or operation of another religious group in the same area. The authority
14 to adopt regulations and standards shall be exercised to insure comp-
15 liance with the intents and purpose of secs. 10 - 100 [80] of this
16 chapter. The department may inspect and examine an institution, home
17 or place, or the performance of a service.

18 * Sec. 2. AS 47.35.070 is amended to read:

19 Sec. 47.35.070. VIOLATIONS. A person who violates a provision of
20 secs. 10 - 100 [80] of this chapter or a rule or regulation adopted
21 under secs. 10 - 100 [80] of this chapter is guilty of a misdemeanor,
22 and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not more than \$200.

23 * Sec. 3. AS 47.35.080 is amended to read:

24 Sec. 47.35.080. DEFINITIONS. In secs. 10 - 100 [80] of this
25 chapter

26 (1) "boarding home or foster home" means an establishment
27 providing regular care for less than six children not related by blood
28 or marriage to the foster parents;

29 (2) "department" means the Department of Health and Welfare;

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1 (3) "institution" means an establishment providing regular
2 care and services for six or more children not related by blood or
3 marriage to the owner or operator;

4 (4) "nursery" means an establishment providing care and
5 service for any part of the 24 hour day for a child not related by
6 blood or marriage to the owner or operator.

7 • Sec. 4. AS 47.35 is amended by adding a new section to read:

8 **ARTICLE 3. AGENCIES FOR PLACEMENT AND COUNSELING.**

9 **Sec. 47.35.100. LICENSE REQUIRED.** (a) Without a license issued
10 by the department in accordance with its regulations no person may
11 operate an agency providing any of the following services:

- 12 (1) the placement of children for foster home care;
13 (2) the placement of children for adoption; or
14 (3) individual and family counseling.

15 (b) The license shall remain in effect until revoked for cause.
16 The department shall give written notice of revocation at least 90 days
17 before the effective date of the revocation.