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1 IN THE HOUSE

2 HOUSE BILL NO. 273

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to community health aides."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 18.05.040 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

9 (16) the complete control and management of a community  
10 health aide program and of persons designated by him as community  
11 health aides.

12 \* Sec. 2. AS 18.05 is amended by adding new sections to read:

13 Sec. 18.05.041. COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDES. The commissioner may  
14 designate one or more persons in each village to serve as community  
15 health aides.

16 Sec. 18.05.043. POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMUNITY HEALTH AIDES. (a)

17 A community health aide, working under supervision of professional  
18 doctors or nurses, shall

19 (1) coordinate health services at the village site in  
20 advance of, during, and following the visits of professional health  
21 personnel; the health services shall be in the areas of

22 (A) treatment on orders of a health professional,

23 (B) maternal and child health care,

24 (C) maintenance of health records,

25 (D) home nursing care,

26 (E) health programs other than medical care;

27 (2) serve as the custodian and dispenser, on orders of a  
28 health professional, of selected medications;

29 (3) serve as a skilled observer of medical symptoms to be

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transmitted by a variety of communications systems to the health professional;

(4) serve as a community health educator and health program motivator in

- (A) mother and child care,
- (B) nutrition,
- (C) homemaking,
- (D) environmental health,
- (E) personal and home hygiene,
- (F) home nursing,
- (G) dental hygiene,
- (H) first aid.

(b) A community health aide may not practice medicine or nursing and shall always act under the direct or indirect supervision of professional health personnel.