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2 HOUSE BILL NO. 611

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 FIFTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to the reporting of certain informa-
7 tion to the Department of Public Safety."

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

9 • Section 1. AS 47.05.030 is amended to read:

10 Sec. 47.05.030. MISUSE OF PUBLIC ASSISTANCE LISTS AND RECORDS.

11 It is unlawful, except for purposes directly connected with the
12 administration of general assistance, old age assistance, aid to the
13 blind, or aid to dependent children, and in accordance with the regula-
14 tions of the department, and except that a list of those persons
15 receiving aid to the blind shall be provided to the commissioner of
16 public safety for the confidential use of the drivers license bureau,
17 for a person to solicit, disclose, receive, make use of, or to author-
18 ize, knowingly permit, participate in, or acquiesce in the use of, a
19 list of or names of, or information concerning, persons applying for
20 or receiving the assistance directly or indirectly derived from the
21 records, papers, files, or communications of the department or sub-
22 divisions or agencies of the department, or acquired in the course of
23 the performance of official duties.

24 • Sec. 2. AS 47.25.670 is amended to read:

25 Sec. 47.25.670. GRANTING OF ASSISTANCE. On completion of its
26 investigation, the department shall decide whether the applicant is
27 eligible for assistance under secs. 620 - 780 of this chapter, the
28 amount of assistance, and the date on which it starts. The department
29 shall notify the applicant of its decision and it shall report the

1 name of the person receiving aid and other required information to the
2 commissioner of public safety for the confidential use of the drivers
3 license bureau.

4 * Sec. 3. AS 47.30.120 is amended to read:

5 Sec. 47.30.120. NOTICE OF HOSPITALIZATION. When a patient is
6 admitted to a hospital under secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter other than
7 upon his own application, the head of the designated hospital shall
8 notify immediately the patient's legal guardian, parent, spouse, or
9 next of kin, if known; and he shall report the name of the patient,
10 his date of birth, and his address to the commissioner of public safety
11 for purposes of the confidential use of the drivers license bureau.

12 The head of the designated hospital admitting an individual under a
13 provision of secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter, or discharging an indi-
14 vidual so admitted, shall immediately make a report of the discharge to
15 the superior court and to the department.

16 * Sec. 4. AS 28.15 is amended by adding a new section to read:

17 Sec. 28.15.165. PHYSICIANS TO REPORT TO DEPARTMENT. (a) A phy-
18 sician shall report immediately to the commissioner of public safety,
19 in writing, the name, date of birth, and address of any person diagnosed
20 as suffering from a disorder characterized by lapses of consciousness
21 or loss of control, or from chronic alcoholism.

22 (b) The physician's report shall be for the information of the
23 drivers license bureau in enforcing the provisions of the Alaska Motor
24 Vehicle Act (AS 28.10) and shall be kept confidential and used solely
25 for the purpose of determining the eligibility of any person to operate
26 a motor vehicle on the highways of this state.