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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

2 CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 101

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SIXTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to harmful or dangerous substances."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 08.99.080 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 08.99.080. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE BOARD. The board shall

10 (1) establish and promulgate [RULES AND] regulations con-  
11 cerning qualification [CERTIFICATION] of welders in the state;

12 (2) establish and define qualification [CERTIFICATION] tests  
13 as they apply to various types and categories of work done in or [AND]  
14 for the state;

15 (3) work with federal and private agencies and specifying  
16 engineers to establish uniform testing and qualifying [CERTIFYING]  
17 methods for all welders throughout the state;

18 (4) work with federal agencies and the agencies of other  
19 states to establish reciprocity agreements;

20 (5) set up criteria and define experience and documentary  
21 requirements which may be accepted in lieu of physical qualification  
22 [CERTIFICATION] tests in the state;

23 (6) set the fees for the welder qualification [CERTIFICATION]  
24 tests;

25 (7) examine, certify, and renew the qualification [CERTIFI-  
26 CATION] of qualified applicants;

27 (8) keep a record of its proceedings, and submit annual  
28 reports to the governor [GOVERNMENT] and the legislature.

29 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.99 is amended by adding a new section to read:

1           Sec. 08.99.110. QUALIFICATION REQUIRED IN CERTAIN EMPLOYMENT. (a)  
2 No person may weld or weld on a pipe line, tank, vessel or other unit  
3 used, either temporarily or permanently in the state, in the commercial  
4 production, conveyance or storage of flammable, poisonous, caustic or  
5 corrosive liquids, gasses or chemicals, the failure of which unit or  
6 the escape or spillage of which substance would be harmful or dangerous  
7 to human life, wildlife or property, unless the person has been tested  
8 and qualified by the board of welding examiners to perform this type of  
9 work.

10           (b) No person may employ another, or permit another within his  
11 employ or control, to perform work described in (a) of this section  
12 unless that other person has been tested and qualified by the board of  
13 welding examiners to perform that type of work.

14           (c) A person who violates (a) or (b) of this section is, upon  
15 conviction, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000.

16 \* Sec. 3. AS 18.60 is amended by adding a new section to read:

17           ARTICLE 6. HARMFUL OR DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES.

18           Sec. 18.60.580. CONSTRUCTION STANDARDS; INSPECTION. (a) The  
19 Department of Labor shall adopt regulations for the safe and proper  
20 construction, installation, repair, use and operation of pipelines,  
21 tanks, vessels or other units used, either temporarily or permanently  
22 in the state, in the commercial production, conveyance or storage of  
23 flammable, poisonous, caustic or corrosive liquids, gasses or chemicals,  
24 the failure of which unit or the escape or spillage of which substance  
25 would be harmful or dangerous to human life, wildlife or property. The  
26 regulations governing these units and their components should follow  
27 generally accepted nationwide engineering standards, formulae and  
28 practices for safety. The department shall provide for inspections to  
29 assure compliance with the regulations adopted under this section.

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(b) No person may violate a regulation adopted under (a) of this section. A person who violates such a regulation is, upon conviction, punishable by a fine of not more than \$1,000. Each day of unlawful operation gives rise to a separate offense.