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HOUSE BILL NO. 716

IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA
SIXTH LEGISLATURE - SECOND SESSION

A BILL

For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to community mental health centers."
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA:

* Section 1. AS 47.30.010(a) is amended to read:

(a) The department is the mental health authority of the state,
and shall

(1) develop and submit to the surgeon general of the United States Public Health Service, and administer a complete and comprehensive program for the prevention of mental illness and the care and treatment of the mentally ill, including in-patient and out-patient care and treatment;

(2) take the actions and undertake the obligations which are necessary to participate in federal grants-in-aid programs and accept federal or other financial aid from whatever sources for the study, examination, care and treatment of the mentally ill; [AND]

(3) assist local governments in the establishment and development of community mental health and mental retardation centers in accordance with the requirements for federal grants under P.L. 89-105, P.L. 88-164 and P.L. 90-31;

(4) adopt regulations necessary to carry out the purposes of secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter; and

(5) [SHALL] administer secs. 10 - 340 of this chapter.

* Sec. 2. AS 47.30.010(b) is amended by adding new paragraphs to read:

(13) pay, as funds are available, 50 per cent of that portion of the estimated cost of operation of community mental health and

1 mental retardation centers not borne by (A) the federal government,
2 (B) gifts, grants, or contributions to the local government or
3 board, or (C) revenues received from patients or due on their behalf
4 from private and public health insurance and medical aid programs;
5 estimated costs shall be determined by the department based on review
6 and approval of the annual proposed budget submitted to the commis-
7 sioner by the local government or board;

8 (14) pay, as funds are available, in amounts determined to
9 be appropriate under applicable capital improvement programs and
10 approved by the legislature, those costs representing the state contri-
11 bution for construction and improvement of community mental health and
12 mental retardation facilities; the facilities may be independent
13 facilities or part of general medical facilities which are to be used
14 to provide community mental health or mental retardation services.
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