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1 IN THE HOUSE

BY THE HEALTH, WELFARE AND  
EDUCATION COMMITTEE

2 SENATE CS FOR CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 34

3 IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF ALASKA

4 SEVENTH LEGISLATURE - FIRST SESSION

5 A BILL

6 For an Act entitled: "An Act relating to physicians' assistants."

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

8 \* Section 1. AS 08.64.170 is amended to read:

9 Sec. 08.64.170. LICENSE TO PRACTICE MEDICINE OR OSTEOPATHY. (a)

10 No person may practice medicine or osteopathy in the state unless he is  
11 licensed under this chapter, except that a physician's assistant may  
12 examine, diagnose or treat persons under the supervision, control, and  
13 responsibility of either a physician licensed under this chapter or a  
14 physician exempted from licensure under sec. 370 of this chapter.

15 (b) Upon engaging or upon releasing a physician's assistant, a  
16 physician or a person exempted from licensure under sec. 370 of this  
17 chapter shall notify the Department of Health and Welfare, division of  
18 public health, of it in writing within 30 days of the engagement or  
19 release.

20 (c) A chiropodist practicing in the state on the effective date  
21 of this Act is exempt from this section.

22 \* Sec. 2. AS 08.64.360 is amended to read:

23 Sec. 08.64.360. PENALTY FOR PRACTICING WITHOUT A LICENSE OR IN  
24 VIOLATION OF CHAPTER. Except for a physician's assistant under sec.  
25 170 of this chapter, a [A] person practicing medicine or osteopathy in  
26 the state without obtaining and filing an appropriate license is guilty  
27 of a misdemeanor and upon conviction is punishable by a fine of not  
28 less than \$50 nor more than \$100, or by imprisonment for not less than  
29 10 days nor more than 90 days, or by both. Evidence that the defendant

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has failed to file a license with the clerk of the court is prima facie evidence that the defendant is not licensed. Each day of illegal practice is a separate offense.

\* Sec. 3. AS 18.05.040 is amended by adding a new paragraph to read:

(19) the notification of engagement or release of a physician's assistant by persons under AS 08.64.170(b).